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June 10, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

**RE: REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT:** Connect America Fund;
High Cost Universal Service Support IN
WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337,
03-109, CC DOCKET NOS. 01-92, 96-45,
GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET
NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find attached with this letter a request for confidential treatment for portions of information submitted with our company Form 481. Two copies of the redacted Form 481, with redacted attachments, filed on behalf of our company. Contemporaneously, we are filing two copies of the redacted Form 481, with redacted attachments, filed on behalf of our company. An un-redacted copy, stamped confidential, has been sent to the Secretary's office. This information has also been filed with our state commission and electronically submitted, and certified, with the Universal Service Administration Company. If you have any questions or concerns with the attachments, please contact Charles Curtis at Charles.curtis@contaegis.com or by phone at 252-514-2203.

Sincerely,



Pauline Van Horn
President

Cc: file

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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
Connect America Fund)	WC Docket No. 10-90
)	WC Docket No. 07-135
High-Cost Universal Service Support)	WC Docket No. 11-42
)	WC Docket No. 05-337
Lifeline and Link Up Reform)	WC Docket No. 03-109
)	CC Docket No. 01-92
)	CC Docket No. 96-45
)	GN Docket No. 09-51
)	WT Docket No. 10-208

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Oklahoma Western Telephone Company ("Filer") requests that the portions of its Form 481 pertaining to its Five Year Plan in the Service Quality Improvement Reporting, its Tribal Land Offerings documentation and its Rate of Return Additional Documentation (RUS Annual Report) be granted confidential, non-public treatment pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Sections 0.457, 0.459, and related provisions of the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), including 5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)(4) ("Exemption 4"). Form 481 contains information regarding the Filer's capital expenditure budgets, detailed network information, corporate affiliations, strategic service offerings with Tribal Governments as well as sensitive financial information filed in the Rate of Return Documentation. Release of such information would supply its competition sensitive commercial information that would undermine its ability to serve its customers effectively. Such information is not customarily disclosed to the public or made available within the telecommunications industry. Therefore, the Filer requests confidentiality of these respective portions of its Form 481 filing be granted. Support for the Filer's request for confidential treatment pursuant to FCC rules in Section 0.459(b) is provided as follows:

I. FILER'S FORM 481 SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 0.459 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES

The material the Filer seeks confidentiality qualifies for the requirements outlined in Section 0.459 of the FCC's rules. As will be demonstrated, the Filer has satisfied all the elements of this section, concluding that disclosure of this information would be harmful to the Filer.

- (1) **Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought.** The Filer requests confidential treatment for the portions of the Form 481 required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(a)(2) and (4). The Form bears the legend "CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NO.'S 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC DOCKETS 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATION COMMISSION." The specific information considered confidential include: 1) The Filer's 5 year capital budget and network information associated with Service Quality Improvement Reporting (100), 2) Tribal Land Offerings documentation (900) and 3) ROR Additional Documentation which represents financial reports for calendar year 2015 (3005).
- (2) **Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission.** The information is required to be produced annually in accordance with 47

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C.F.R. Section 54.313(a). The proceedings are WC Docket No. 10-90 and WC Docket No. 11-42.

- (3) **Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged.** The information requested for confidential treatment is information not customarily released to the public. Release of this information would have the effect of substantial harm to the competitive position of the Filer.
- (4) **Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition.** All of the services provided by the Filer are subject to competition.
- (5) **Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm.** Identification of network details could enable wrongdoers the ability to compromise network reliability to customers. In addition, competitive entities in the Filer's area would have access to sensitive network, strategic and financial details that would hamper the Filer's ability to effectively compete.
- (6) **Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure.** The information filed is not customarily released to the public or publically made available within the telecommunications industry. The information is also only released within internal circulation, including its attorneys, consultants and engineers, held to confidentiality agreements. The request as well as the associated documents subject to it, are filed both paper copy as well as electronically.
- (7) **Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties.** None of the information requesting confidential treatment is available to the public and have not been disclosed to parties unless those parties are engaged to perform services for the Filer, under non-disclosure.
- (8) **Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure.** Due to the fact that the nature of the information being filed is sensitive in terms of competitive and public safety concerns, the Filer requests that confidential treatment be granted indefinitely.

II. CONCLUSION

For these reasons, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, the Filer requests that the portions of Form 481 relating to those particular items listed in I.1, above, be treated as confidential under the Commission's rules and precedent and withheld from public inspection and that any distribution of them within the Commission should be limited, in accordance with the reasons stated for confidential request. In the case where any person, party or entity wishes to access

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any of this information, the Filer requests immediate notification so it can have the opportunity to oppose the request or consider any other action it deems necessary to protect both its network, strategic and financial interests and the interest of the customers it continues to serve.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Pauline Van Horn", written in dark ink.

Pauline Van Horn, President

Oklahoma Western Telephone Company

FCC Filer 499 # 807621

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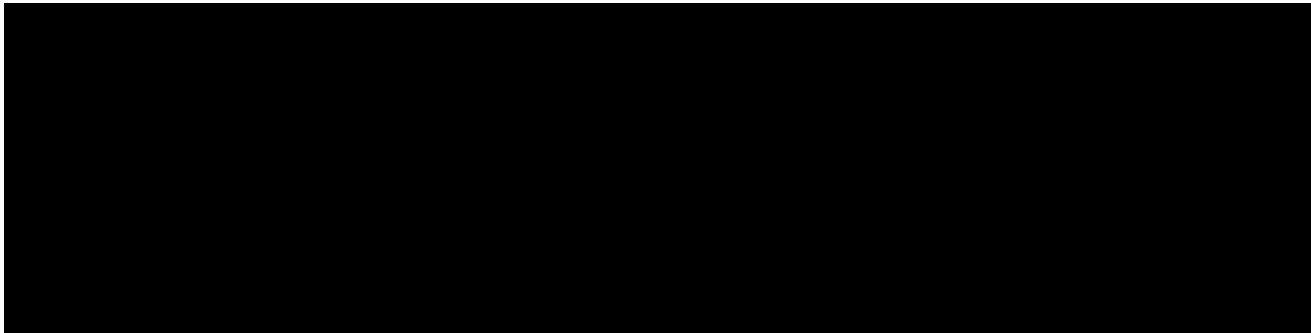
**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
Data Collection Form

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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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**(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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<110> Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?

If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5

<111> year plan" filed with the FCC?

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, please file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

Name of Attached Document

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate

<113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets

<114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received

<115> How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality

<116> How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage

<117> How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity

<118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.

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(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
Data Collection Form

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**(300) Unfulfilled Service Request
Data Collection Form**FCC Form 481
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<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice)

<310> Detail on attempts (voice)

Name of Attached Document

<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband)

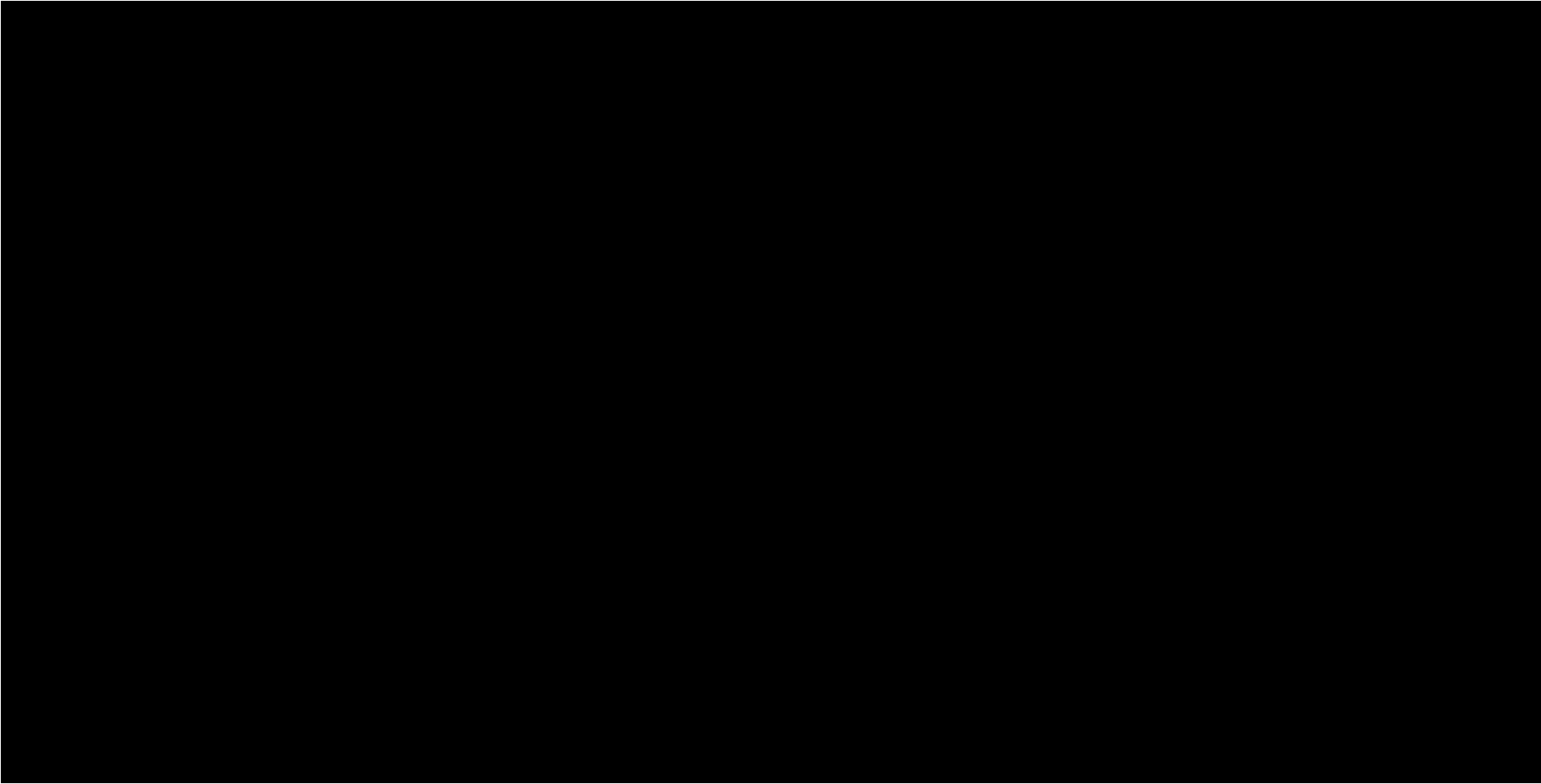
<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)

Name of Attached Document

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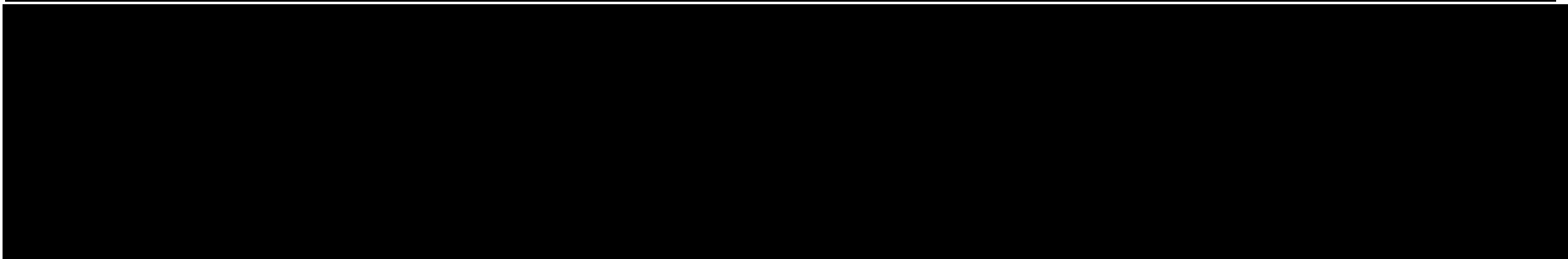


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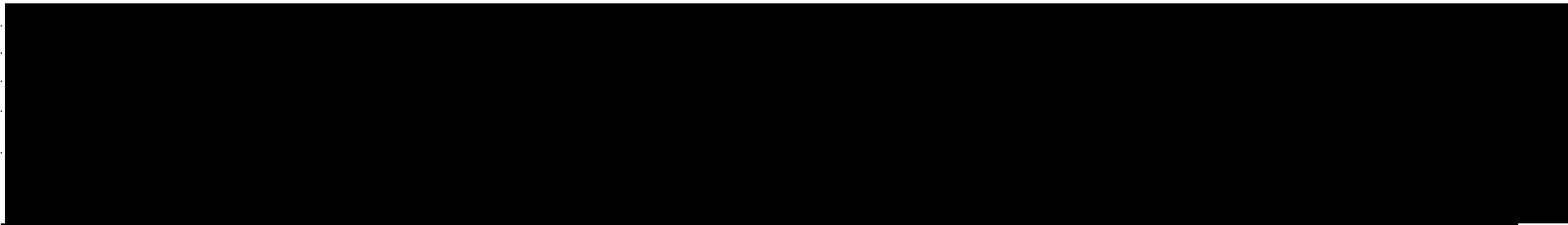
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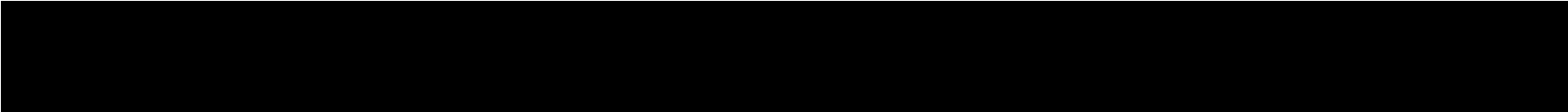
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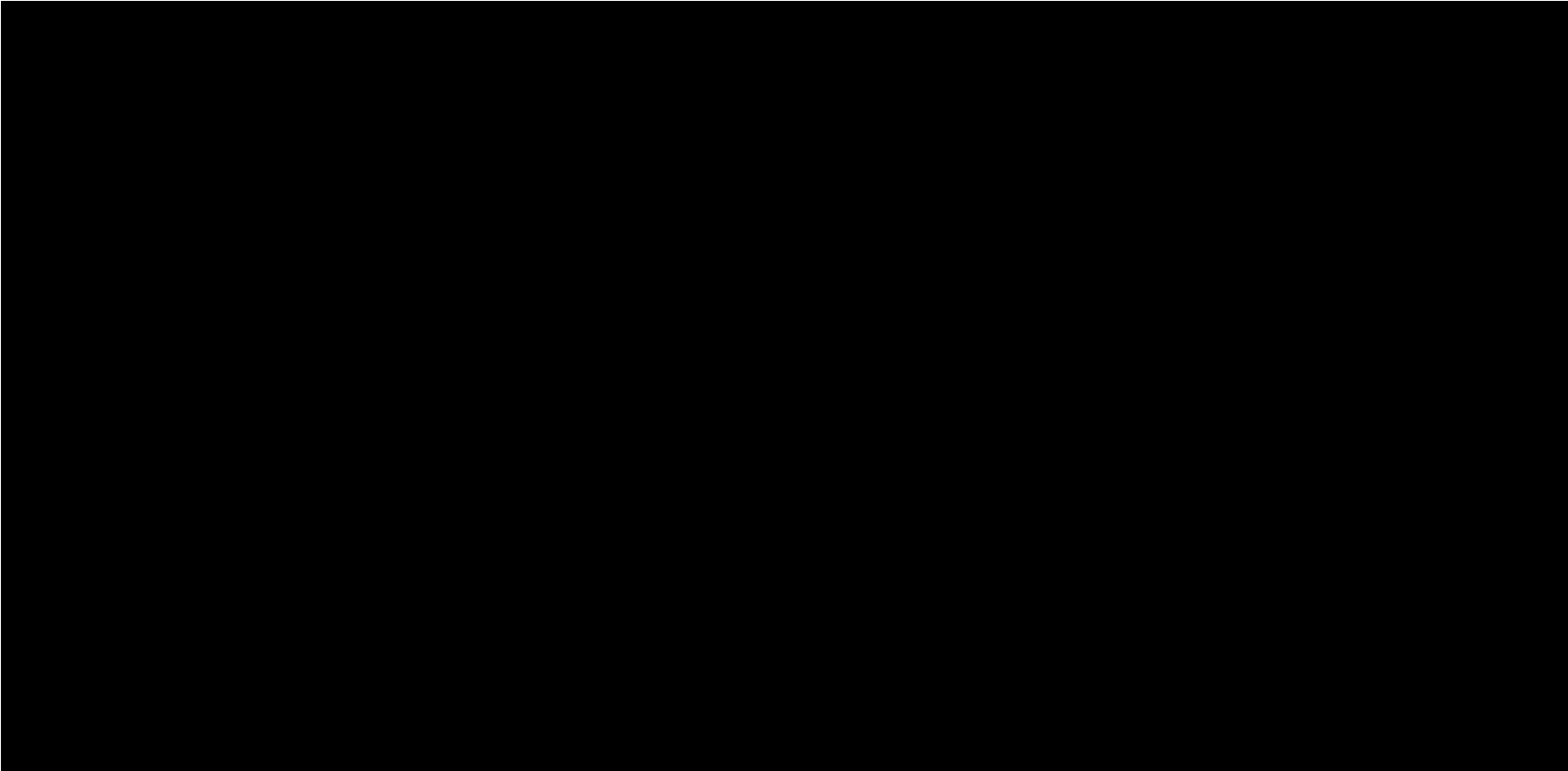
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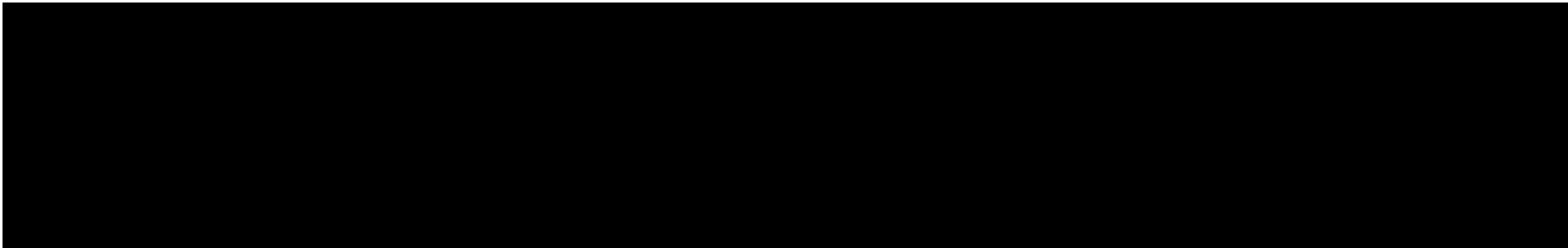
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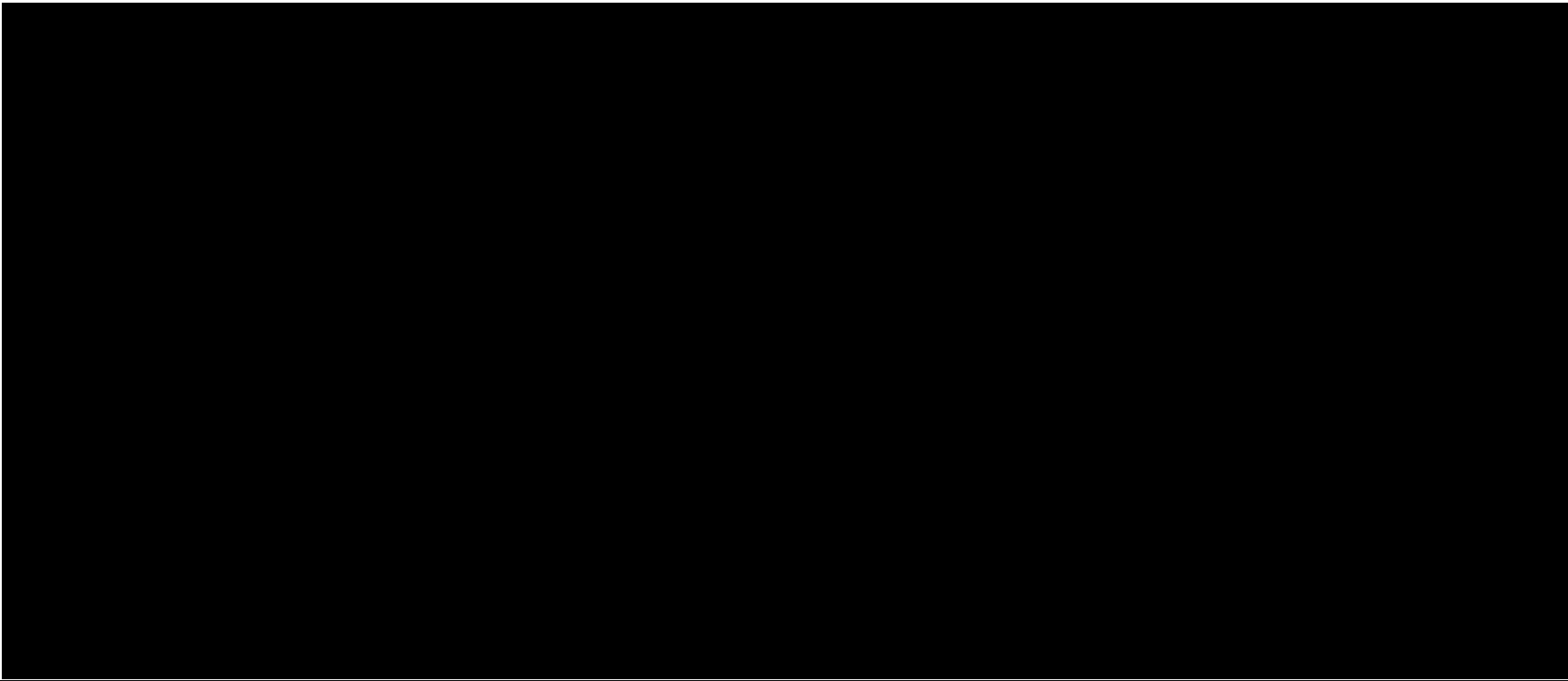


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**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes

to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920,
demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to
54.313(a)(9) includes

<921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal

<922> Community and cultural institutions planning;

<923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;

<924> Compliance with Rights of way processes

<925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements

<926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules

<927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes

<928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes

<929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

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**(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability
Data Collection Form**

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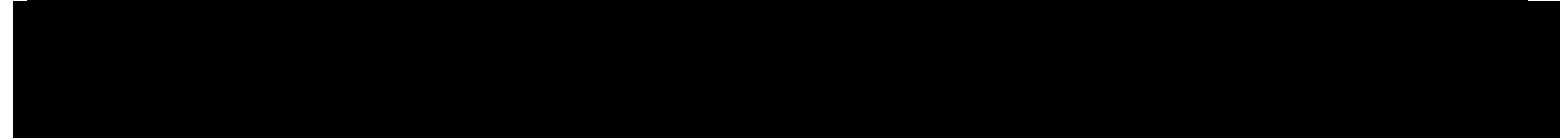
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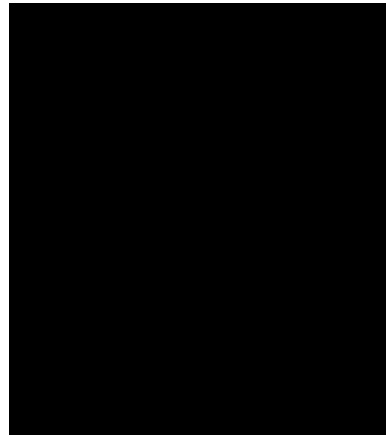
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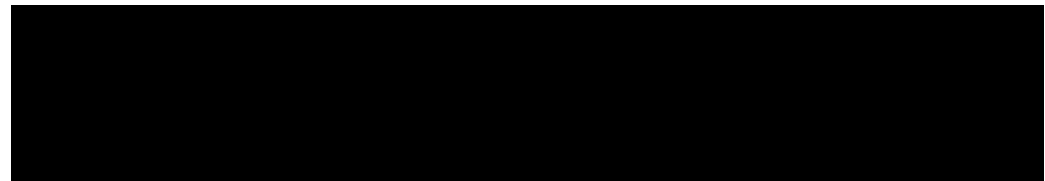
<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate
comparability compliance

<1020> Broadband comparability certification

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband
comparability compliance

Document

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**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
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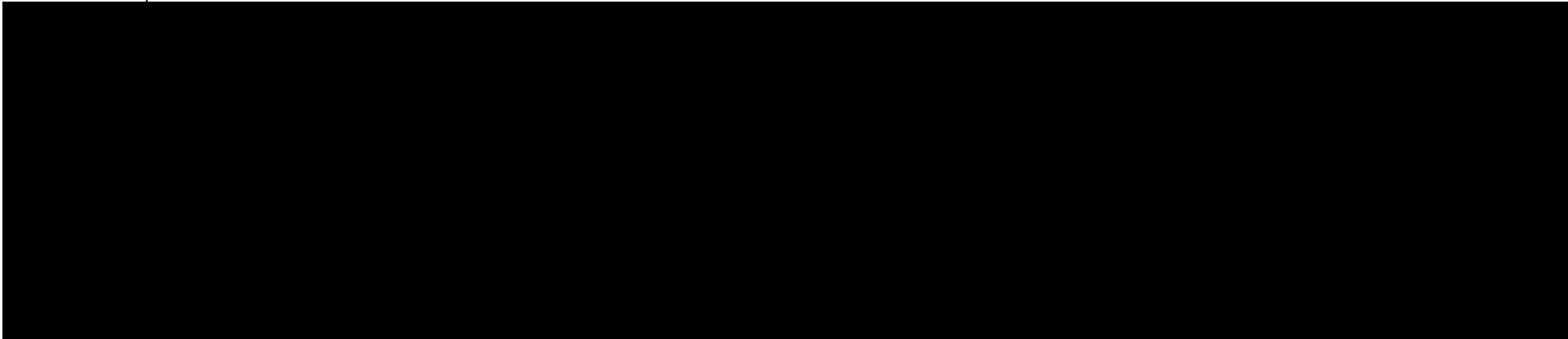
<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

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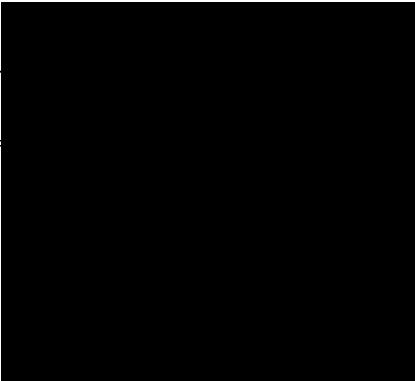
(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	FCC Form 481
Lifeline	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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“Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210,
or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to
§ 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must
annually report

- <1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of a
telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers
- <1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of
- <1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each sur



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(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation**Data Collection Form***Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*

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Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

- <2010> 2nd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(i) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support
- <2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 1 recipients of Incremental Support
- <2022> Recipient certifies, representing year two after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2025A> Round 1 or Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2025B> Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 1 for year three and Round 2 for year two) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-
- <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)

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(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)**Data Collection Form***Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*

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Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification support used to build broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017B> Attach information for Phase II - 54.313(e)(1) - list of geocoded locations already meeting the 54.309 public interest obligations at the end of calendar year 2015 and total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(2)(ii)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(2)(v)

<2020> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 40% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2017 - 54.313(e)(3)

<2021> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 60% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2018 - 54.313(e)(4)

<2026> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 80% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2019 - 54.313(e)(5)

<2027> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 100% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2020 - 54.313(e)(6)

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Complete the items below to note compliance with five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)

Progress Report on 5 Year Plan
Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)

(3010A)

Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}

(3010B)

Please Provide Attachment

Name of Att

(3012A)

Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}

(3012B)

Please Provide Attachment

(3013)

Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CF § 54.313(f)(2)}

(3014)

If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report

(3015)

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:
Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)

(3016)

Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3017)

If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

Name of Attach

Information

(3018)

If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?

(Yes/N

(3019)

If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:
Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers

(3020)

Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3021)

Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.
If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3022)

Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers

(3023)

Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant

(3024)

Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.

(3025)

Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3026)

Attach the worksheet listing required information

Name of Attached Document Listing Require

Information

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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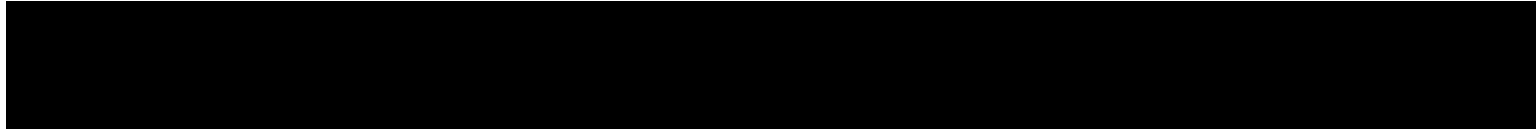
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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

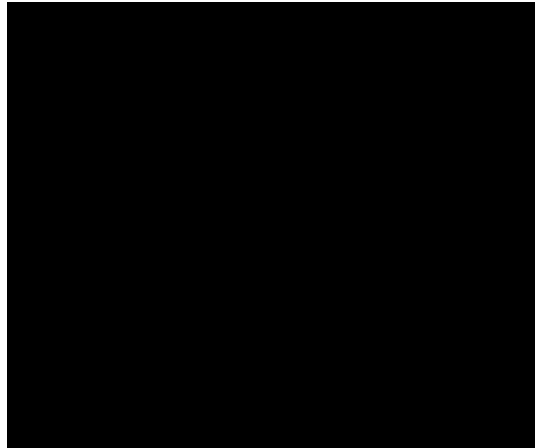
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends



Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Attachments

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings
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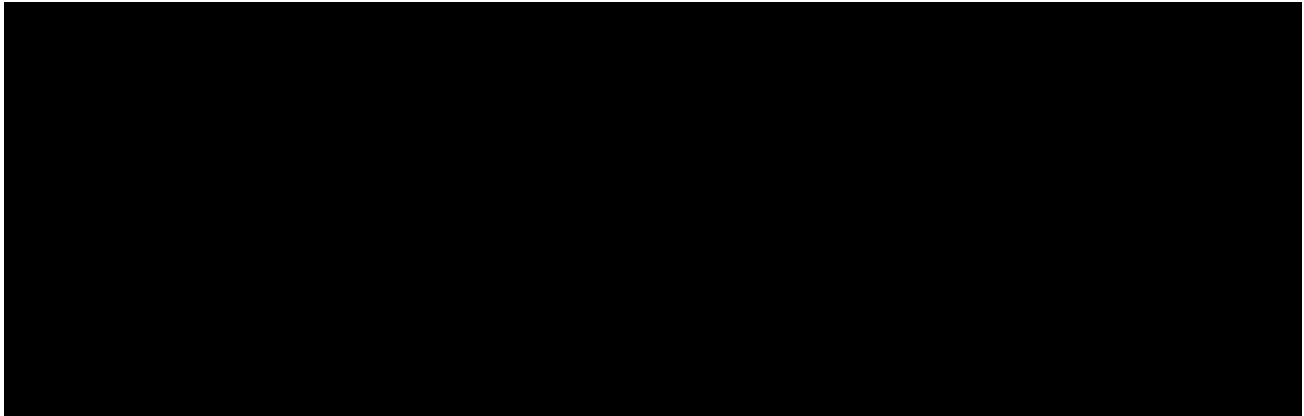
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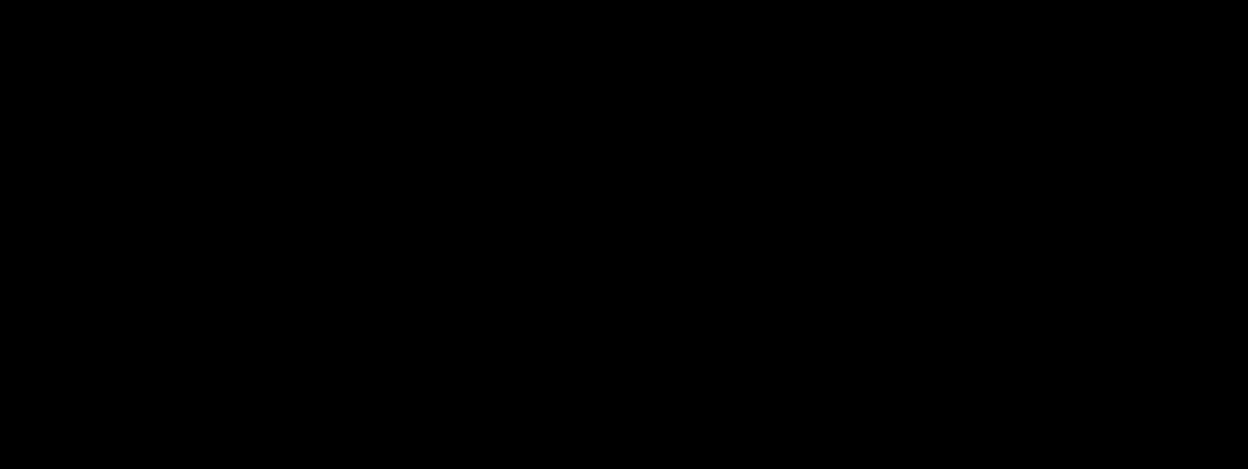
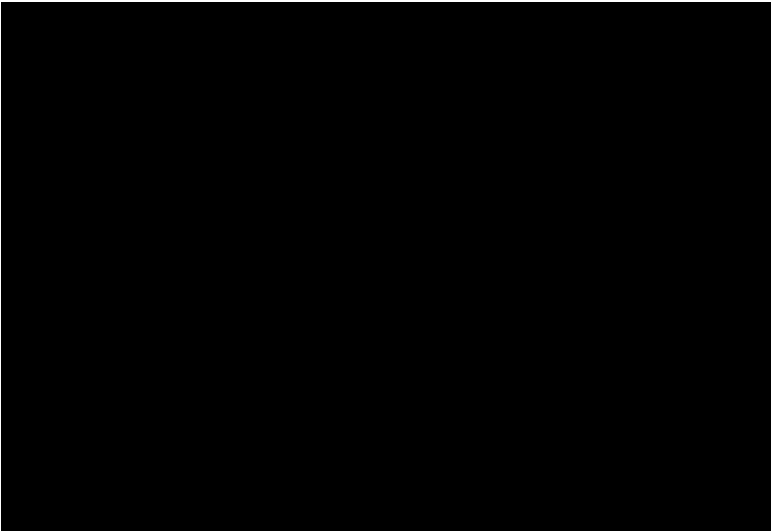
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Square Miles
Population

Planned GS Investment
Planned COE Investment
Planned Cable & Wire Investment
Total Planned Investment

Affected Area (Sq. Mi.)
Affected Population

USF HCL Received
USF ICLS Received
Total USF High Cost Received



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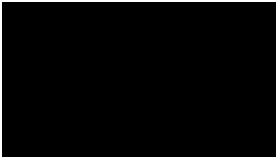
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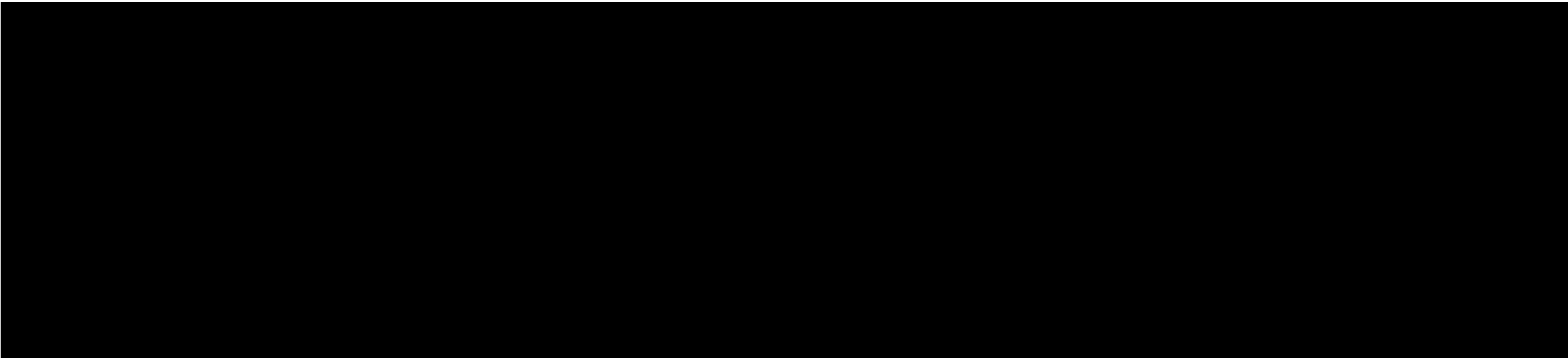
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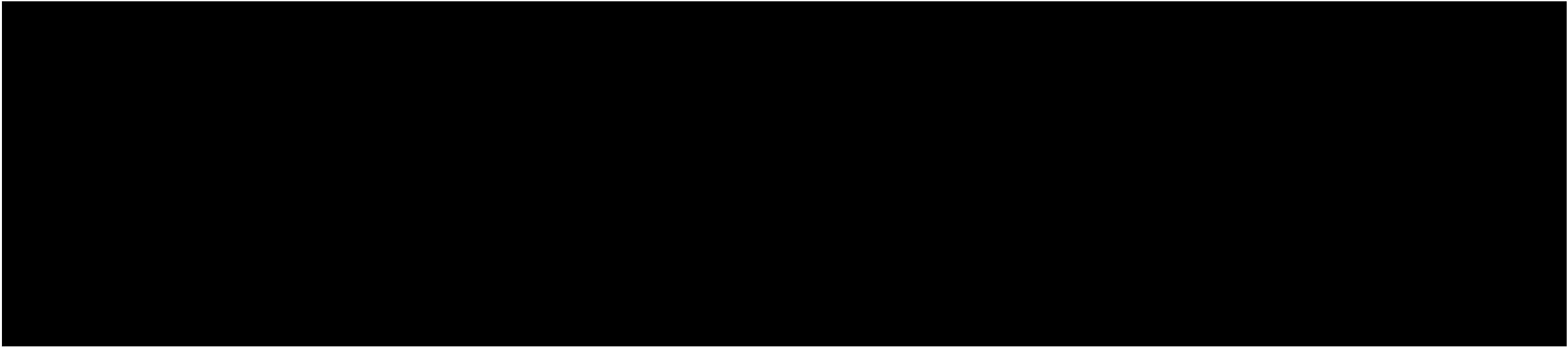
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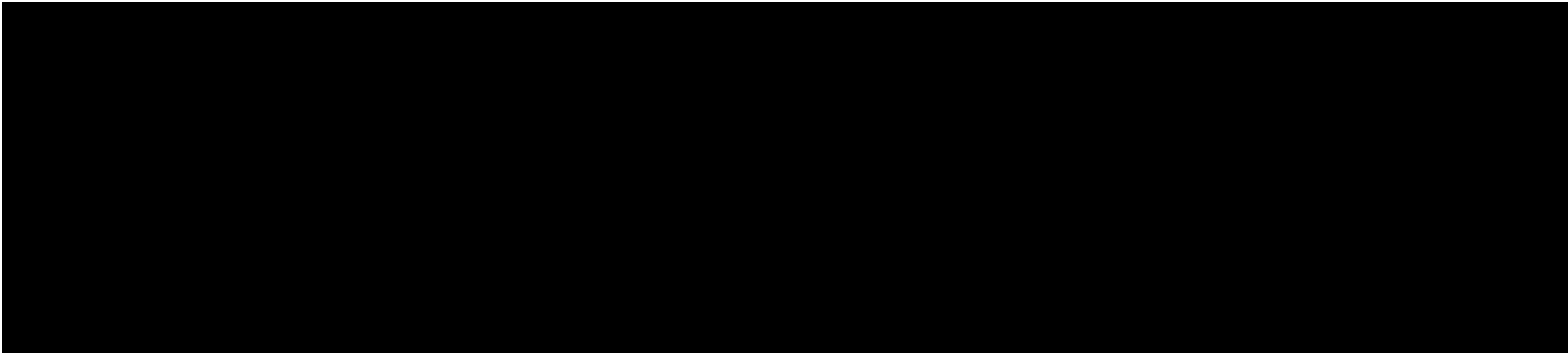
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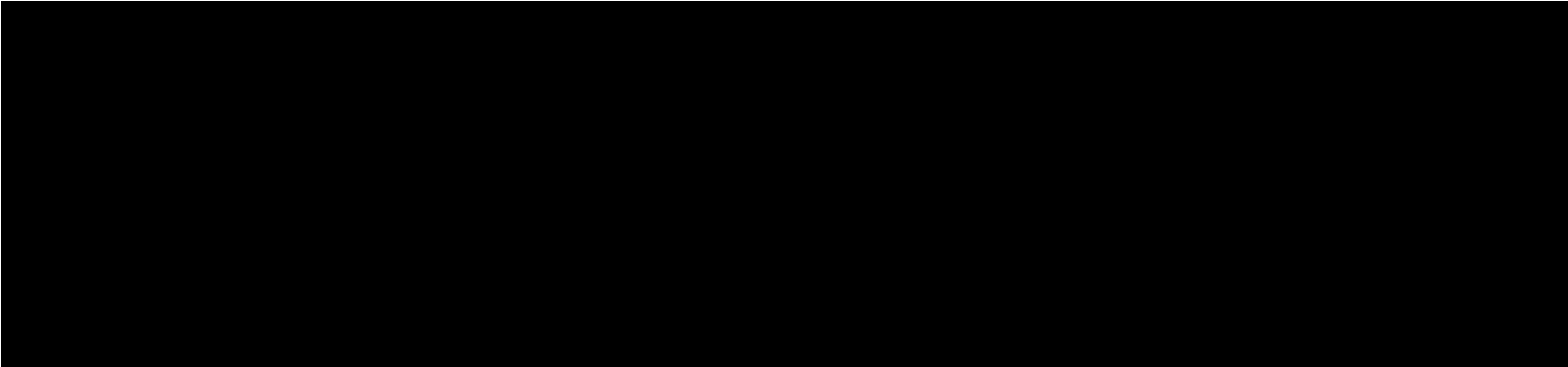


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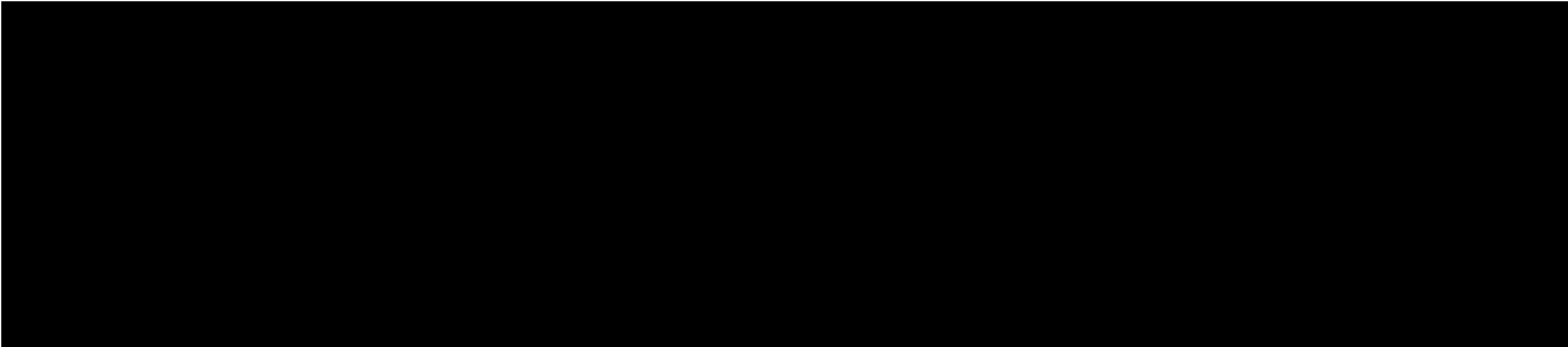
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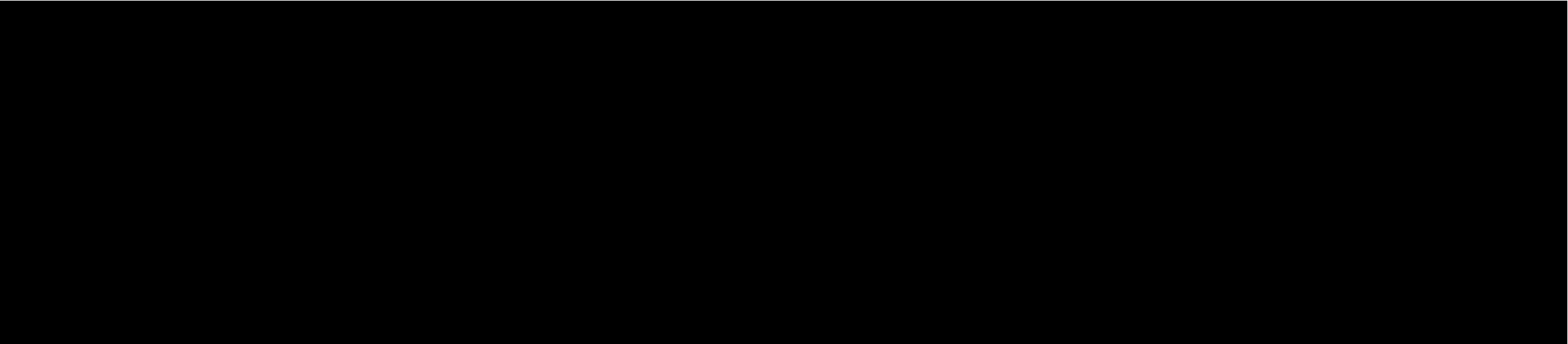
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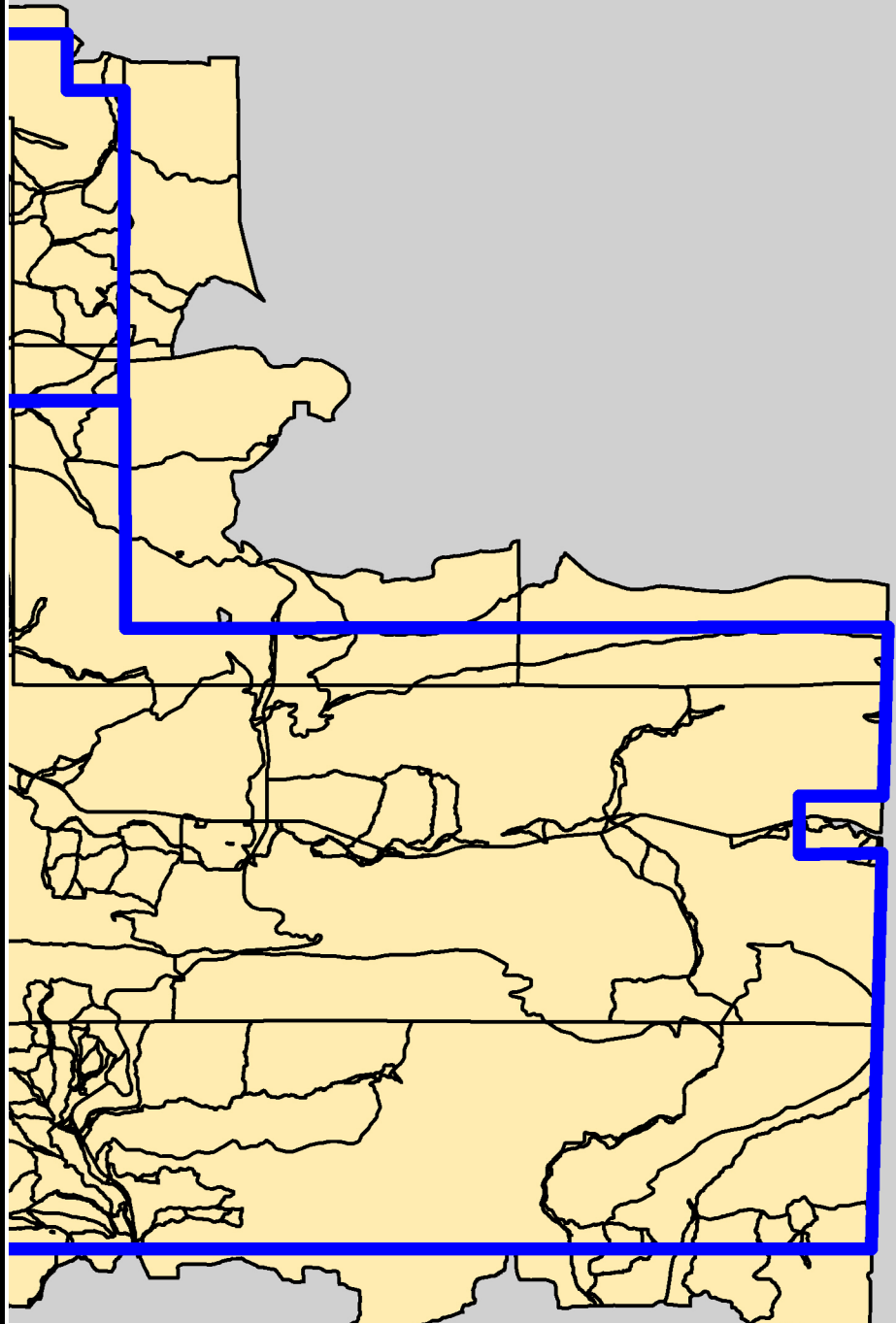
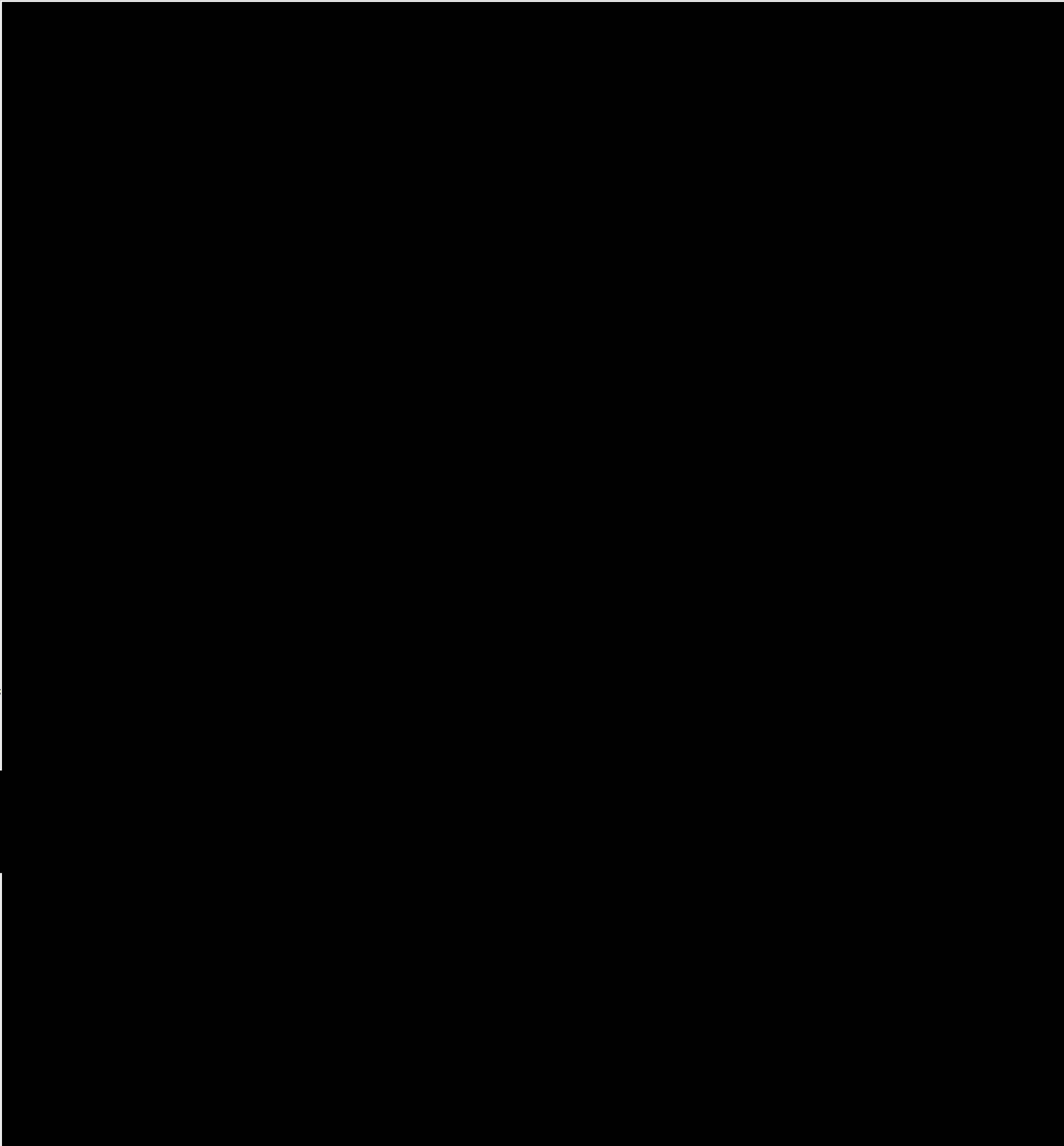
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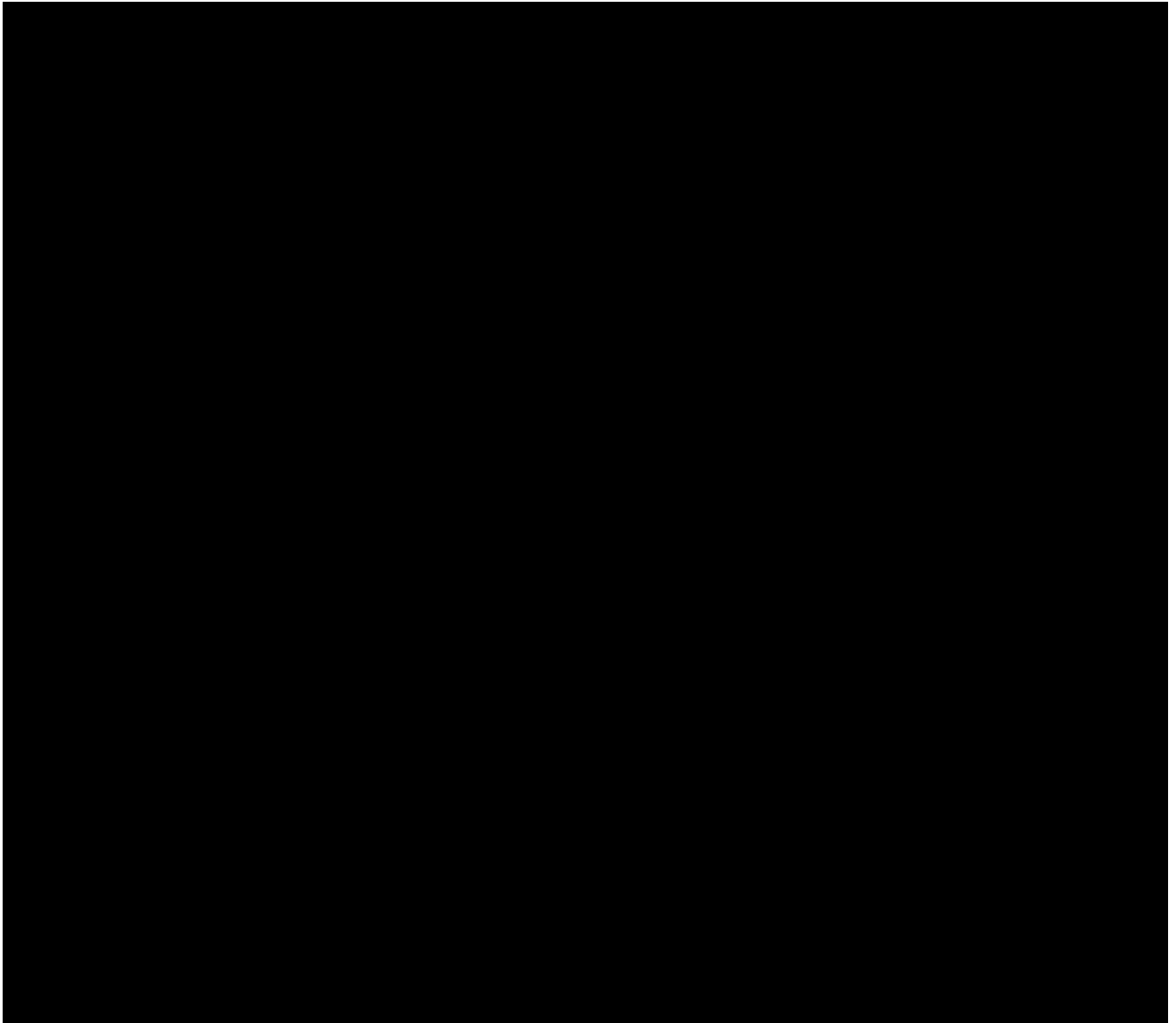
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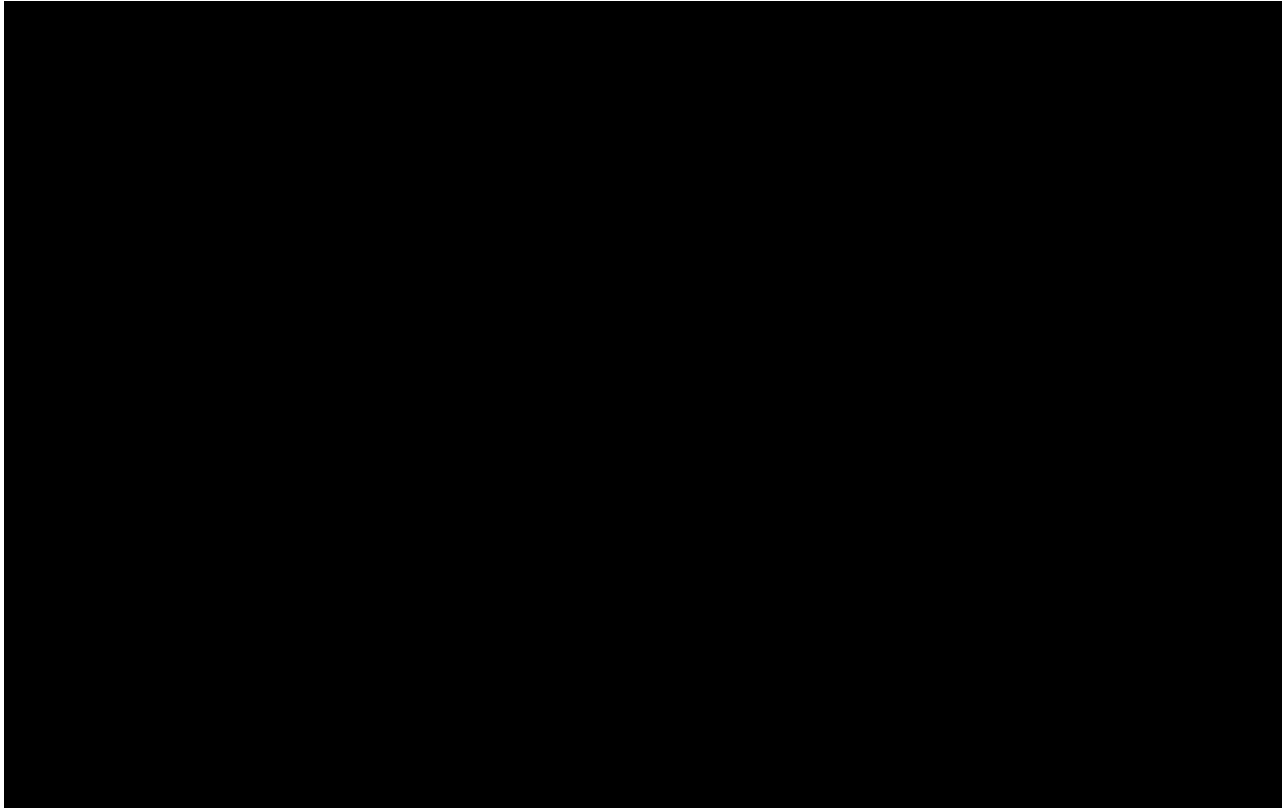
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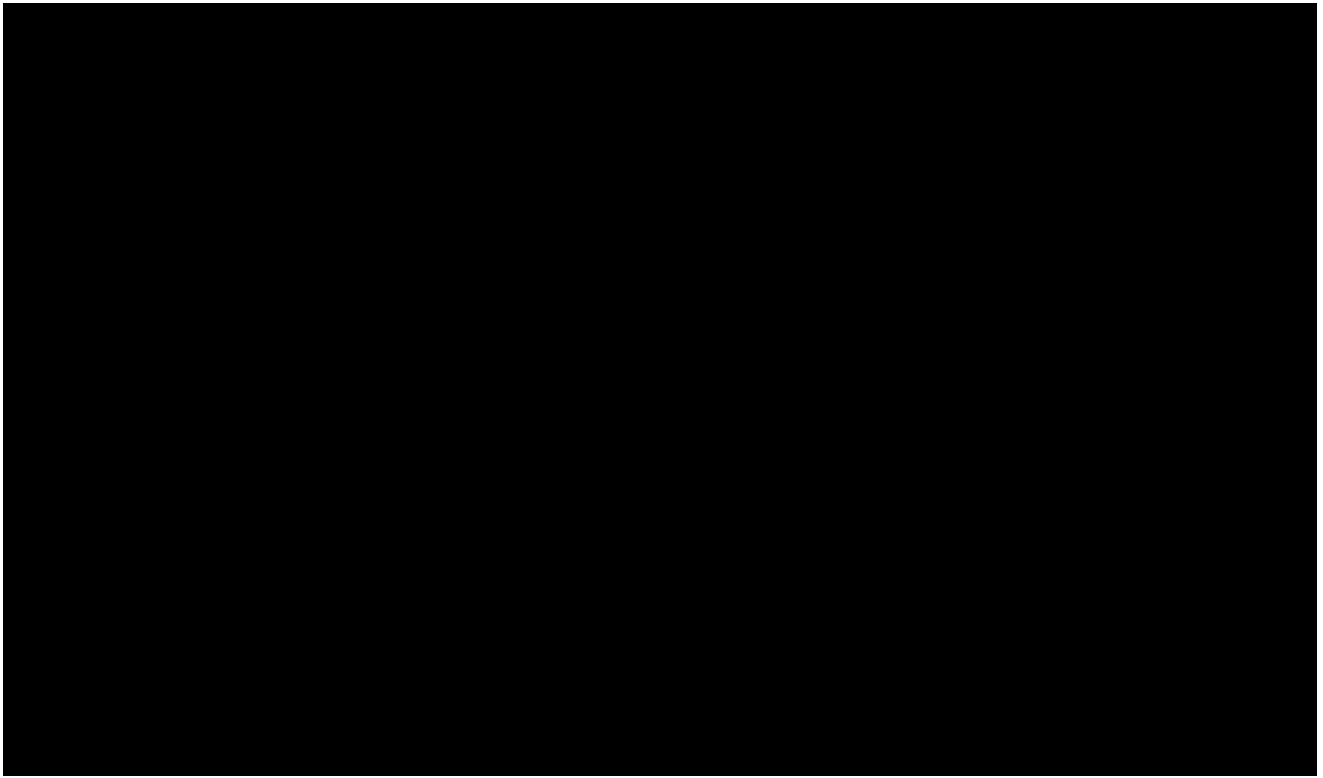
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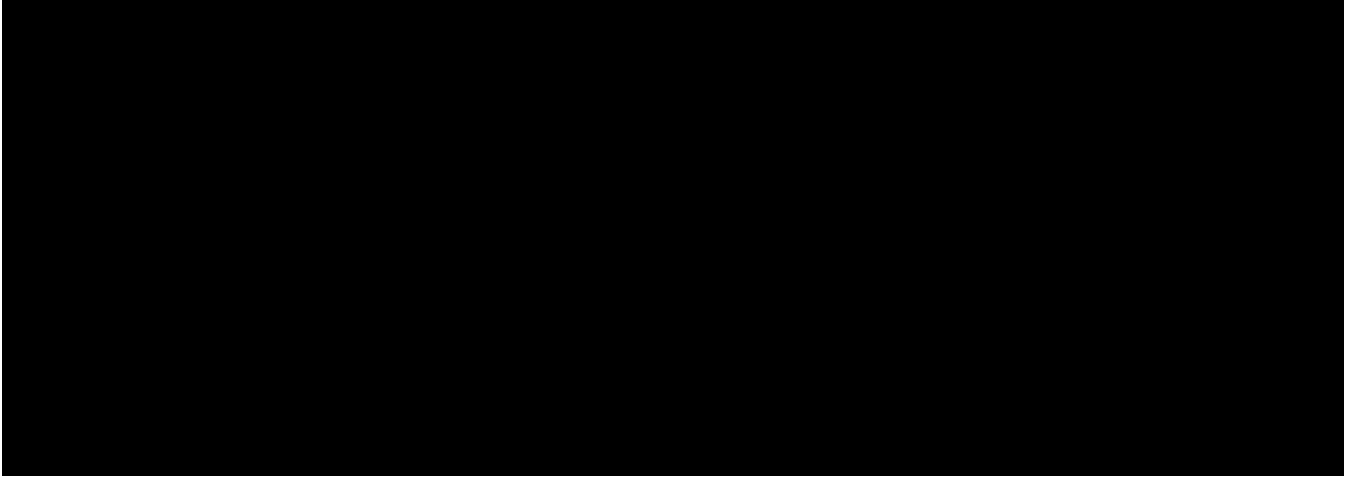
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LIFELINE SERVICE

I. Applicability

- A. Lifeline Service is a telecommunications service assistance program designed to provide eligible residential customers with a credit to be applied to the price of basic local exchange service.
- B. Eligible customers will receive a credit as set forth in Section IV. Lifeline Credits below, to be applied to their basic local exchange access service.
- C. Customers shall not receive more than one Lifeline credit regardless of the number of residential access lines or locations the customer receives service within the State of Oklahoma.
- D. All charges, either recurring or nonrecurring, for any service or feature other than Lifeline Service shall be billed at the tariffed rate.
- E. Lifeline Service shall not be available on a retroactive basis.

II. Designated Services Available to Lifeline Customers (1)

The following services shall be offered to eligible Lifeline customers:

- 1. Single Party Service
- 2. Local Usage
- 3. Touch Tone Services
- 4. Voice Grade Access to the Public Switched Network
- 5. Access to Emergency Services
- 6. Access to Operator Services
- 7. Access to Interexchange Services
- 8. Access to Directory Assistance
- 9. Availability of Toll Restriction at No Charge (2)

III. Eligibility Requirements

- A. Customers or applicants seeking a Lifeline service credit must provide documentation to the Company establishing that the customer or applicant meets one or more of the following eligibility requirements prior to receiving the Lifeline service credit.

- (1) Lifeline service may not be disconnected for non-payment of toll charges.
- (2) Eligible customers accepting toll restriction services shall not be required to pay a deposit.

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III. Eligibility Requirements (Continued)

1. The applicant or customer must meet the requirements for eligibility for either Medicaid, Food Stamps, federal public housing, Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, or Supplemental Security Income. Additionally, persons who are eligible recipients of income assistance for Vocational Rehabilitation (including Aid to the Hearing Impaired) are also eligible for the Lifeline Service credit; or
 2. Are eligible for or receive assistance or benefits, as certified by the State Department of Rehabilitation services, under programs providing vocational rehabilitation, including aid to the hearing impaired; or
 3. Are eligible for or receive assistance or benefits, as certified by the Oklahoma Tax Commission, pursuant, pursuant to the Sales Tax Relief Act, section 5011 et seq. of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
 4. For federal income tax purposes, the applicant is not a dependant unless over sixty years of age.
- B. The eligibility requirements listed above will be certified to by the applicant or the applicable state agency. The Company assumes no responsibility for the certification of customers or applicants eligibility.
- C. Upon receipt of the applicant's documentation establishing eligibility as stated above, the Company will begin providing the credit.
- D. Lifeline customers are required to provide documentation for the purpose of determining their continuing eligibility for the Lifeline credit, upon request of the Company, no less frequently than annually.
- E. The Lifeline service credit will be discontinued for customers who no longer meet the eligibility requirements for the Lifeline Service credit.

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IV. Lifeline Credits

	<u>Monthly Credit (1)</u>
1) federal subscriber line charge credit	(2)
2) initial federal credit to residential access line	\$1.75
3) initial state credit to residential access line	\$1.17
4) additional federal credit to residential access line (3)	\$0.58

- (1) Credit amount will not exceed the total of the subscriber line charge and the residential local exchange rate. In no instance will a subscriber's monthly local exchange rate be less than \$2.50 after application of the Lifeline credits.
- (2) Lifeline Service has been certified by the FCC, therefore, eligible Lifeline customers will receive the appropriate waiver of the Subscriber Line Charge (SLC) as specified by the FCC.
- (3) Half of the amount specified on line 3, not to exceed \$1.75.

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V. Eligibility Requirements for Lifeline Service On Tribal Lands

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A. The applicant or customer seeking to obtain Lifeline Service on Tribal Lands (see definition in B.1. below) must demonstrate their current participation in at least one of the following assistance programs. The Applicant or customer shall complete and sign, under penalty of perjury, an authorization and self certification form provided by the Company. The Applicant or customer must check all of the following that apply.

1. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP" f/k/a Food Stamps)
2. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
3. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
4. Medical Assistance (Medicaid/Soonercare)
5. Vocational Rehabilitation (including aid to the hearing impaired)
6. Oklahoma Sales Tax Relief
7. Federal Public Housing Assistance
8. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program
9. Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations ("FDPIR")
10. 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines
11. Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance; (1)
12. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) tribally-administered block grant programs; (2)
13. Head Start Programs (only applicant or customer who satisfy the income qualifying eligibility provision); or
14. National School Lunch Program (only applicant or customer who satisfy the income standard of the program for free meals).

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B. The applicant or customer must also certify:

1. Residence on Tribal Lands as described in Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 20.1, paragraph (v).
2. Agreement to notify Company if applicant or customer no longer participates in the program or programs described in paragraph 1. above, for which the Applicant or Customer certified their participation in.
3. The applicant must not be a dependent for Federal Income Tax purposes, unless the applicant is over the age of 60.

C. Upon receipt of the completed self certification, Company will begin providing the credit set forth in F. below. Lifeline credits will not be implemented or continued unless telephone service arrangements are and remain, within the Lifeline Service criteria specified above.

- (1) Applicant must "have sufficient resources to meet the basic and special needs defined by the Bureau standard of assistance," 25 C.F.R. § 20.21.
- (2) 42 U.S.C. § 612 and 45 C.F.R. § 286.

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- V. Eligibility Requirements for Lifeline Service On Tribal Lands (Continued) AT
- D. The Lifeline credits will be discontinued upon receipt by the Company of notice by the Customer that they no longer meet the eligibility requirements for the Lifeline credits.
- E. The Lifeline credits will be automatically discontinued unless the customer annually certifies they continue to meet the eligibility requirements for Lifeline credits. All such annual re-self certifications must be submitted to the Company within the time frames determined by the Company.
- F. Lifeline customers will be converted to standard residential service rates once they no longer qualify for Lifeline Service. No service charge will apply for this change in service.

- VI. Lifeline Credits on Tribal Lands DT
- Lifeline Service on Tribal Lands has been established by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), therefore eligible Lifeline customers will receive the appropriate credits, depending on the programs the customer participates in, as specified by the FCC in its Twelfth Report and Order entered into in CC Docket No. 96-45 and as set forth below:

- A. If a customer indicates eligibility to receive Lifeline credits as, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP" f/k/a Food Stamps), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Medical Assistance, Vocational Rehabilitation (including aid to the hearing impaired), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations ("FDPIR") or Oklahoma Sales Tax Relief Act (68 O.S. §5011, et seq.), then the Customer should receive credits as follows: AT

Monthly Credit⁽¹⁾

Federal Lifeline Credit:	\$9.25	CR
Oklahoma Universal Service Fund Credit:	\$1.17	CR
Additional Federal Credit to Residential Access Line necessary to reduce customer's bill to \$1.00	(See footnote (2) below)	

- (1) Credit amount will not exceed the total of the subscriber line charge and the residential local exchange rate, less \$1.00. In no instance will subscriber's monthly local exchange rate be less than \$1.00 after the application of the Lifeline Credits.
- (2) Eligible customers will also receive an additional reduction off the applicable monthly tariff rate for their local exchange service, not to exceed \$25.00 as specified by the FCC in its Twelfth Report and Order entered in CC Docket No. 96-45.

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VI. Lifeline Credits on Tribal Lands (Continued)

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- B. If a customer indicates his eligibility to receive Lifeline credits as only one or more of the following: Federal Public Housing Assistance, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) tribally administered block grant programs, Head Start Programs (only those meeting its income qualifying eligibility provision), 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or National School Lunch Program (only Applicant or customer who satisfy the income standard of the program for free meals), then the Customer should receive credits as follows:

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Federal Lifeline Credit:

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Additional Federal Credit to Residential Access Line
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- (3) Credit amount will not exceed the total of the subscriber line charge and the residential local exchange rate less \$1.00. In no instance will a subscriber's monthly local exchange rate be less than \$1.00 after the application of the Lifeline Credits.
- (4) Eligible customers will also receive an additional reduction off the applicable monthly tariff rate for their local exchange service, not to exceed \$25.00 as specified by the FCC in its Twelfth Report and Order entered in CC Docket No. 96-45.

Link Up America Assistance for Initiating Service

I. Applicability

- A. The Link Up America Service Connection Program is a federally sponsored lifeline assistance program designed to make telephone service accessible to low-income residential households who are currently not on the public switched network.
- B. Through the program the Service Charge for the installation of the main residence access line, as described elsewhere in the Company tariffs, will be discounted at the rate of fifty percent, not to exceed \$30.00. The remaining portion of the Service Charge may, at the customer's option be billed in equal increments over a four month period.
- C. The state-specific plan has been named Link Up Oklahoma.

II. Eligibility Requirements

- A. The following requirements shall be used by the Company to determine the eligibility of a subscriber for Link Up Oklahoma assistance.
 - 1. For federal income tax purposes, the applicant is not a dependant unless over sixty years of age.
 - 2. The applicant must meet the requirements for eligibility for either Food Stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Medical Assistance or Supplemental Security Income. Additionally, persons who are eligible recipients of income assistance for Vocational Rehabilitation (including Aid to the Hearing Impaired) are also eligible for Link Up Oklahoma assistance.
- B. The eligibility requirements listed above will be certified to by the applicant or the applicable state agency. The Company assumes no responsibility for the certification of customers or applicants eligibility.
- C. Upon receipt of the applicant's documentation establishing eligibility as stated above, the Company will provide the discount, as set forth above.

III. Link-Up Credit

Half of Service Connection Charge or \$30.00, whichever is less.

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Link Up America Assistance for Initiating Service (Continued)

IV. Link Up America – On Tribal Lands

- A. The Link Up America on Tribal Lands program is available to eligible applicants who certify residence on tribal lands as defined in Title 25, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 20.1, paragraph (v). ⁽¹⁾
- B. The applicant or customer seeking to obtain Link Up Service on Tribal Lands credits must demonstrate their current participation in one of the following assistance programs. The Applicant or Customer shall complete and sign, under penalty of perjury, an authorization and self-certification form provided by the Company.
1. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP" f/k/a Food Stamps)
 2. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
 3. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
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 13. Head Start Programs (only applicant or customer who satisfy the income qualifying eligibility provision); or
 14. National School Lunch Program (only applicant or customer who satisfy the income standard of the program for free meals).
- C. The applicant must not be a dependent for Federal Income Tax purposes, unless the applicant is over the age of 60 years of age.
- D. The applicant must also certify agreement to notify the Company if the applicant no longer participates in the program or programs described in paragraph 2, above, for which the Applicant certified their participation in.
- E. The service installation charge, as described elsewhere in this tariff, will be a 100% reduction up to \$100.00, including any facilities based charges associated with the extension of lines or construction of facilities needed to initiate service.
- F. The discount will not apply to charges for facilities or equipment on the customer side of the demarcation point.

- (1) The Company shall have no responsibility for the certification of applicant's or customers eligibility.
- (2) Effective June 1, 2012
- (3) Applicant must "have sufficient resources to meet the basic and special needs defined by the Bureau Standard of assistance," 25 C.F.R. § 20.21.
- (4) 42 U.S.C. § 612 and 45 C.F.R. § 286.

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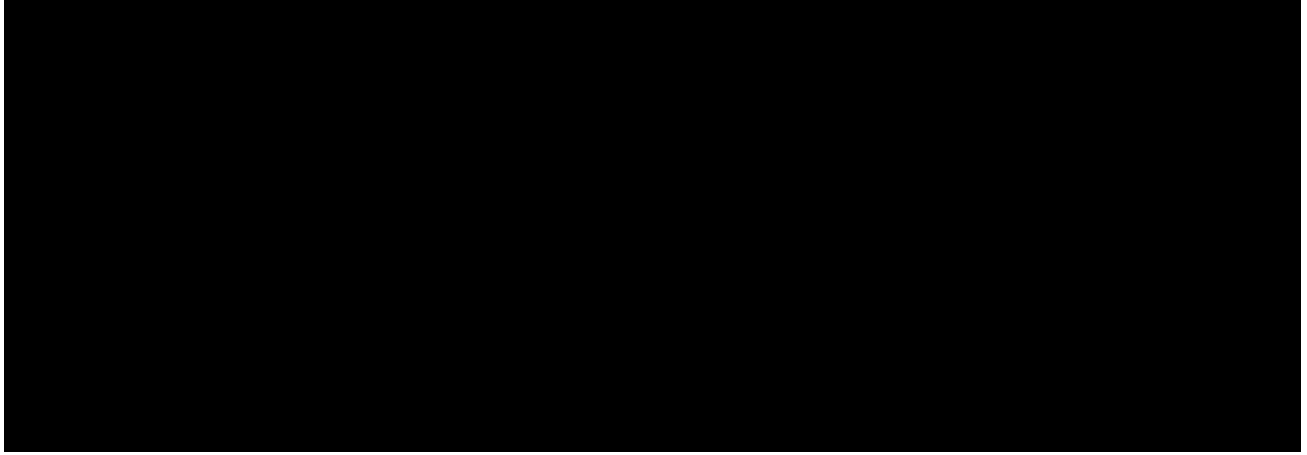
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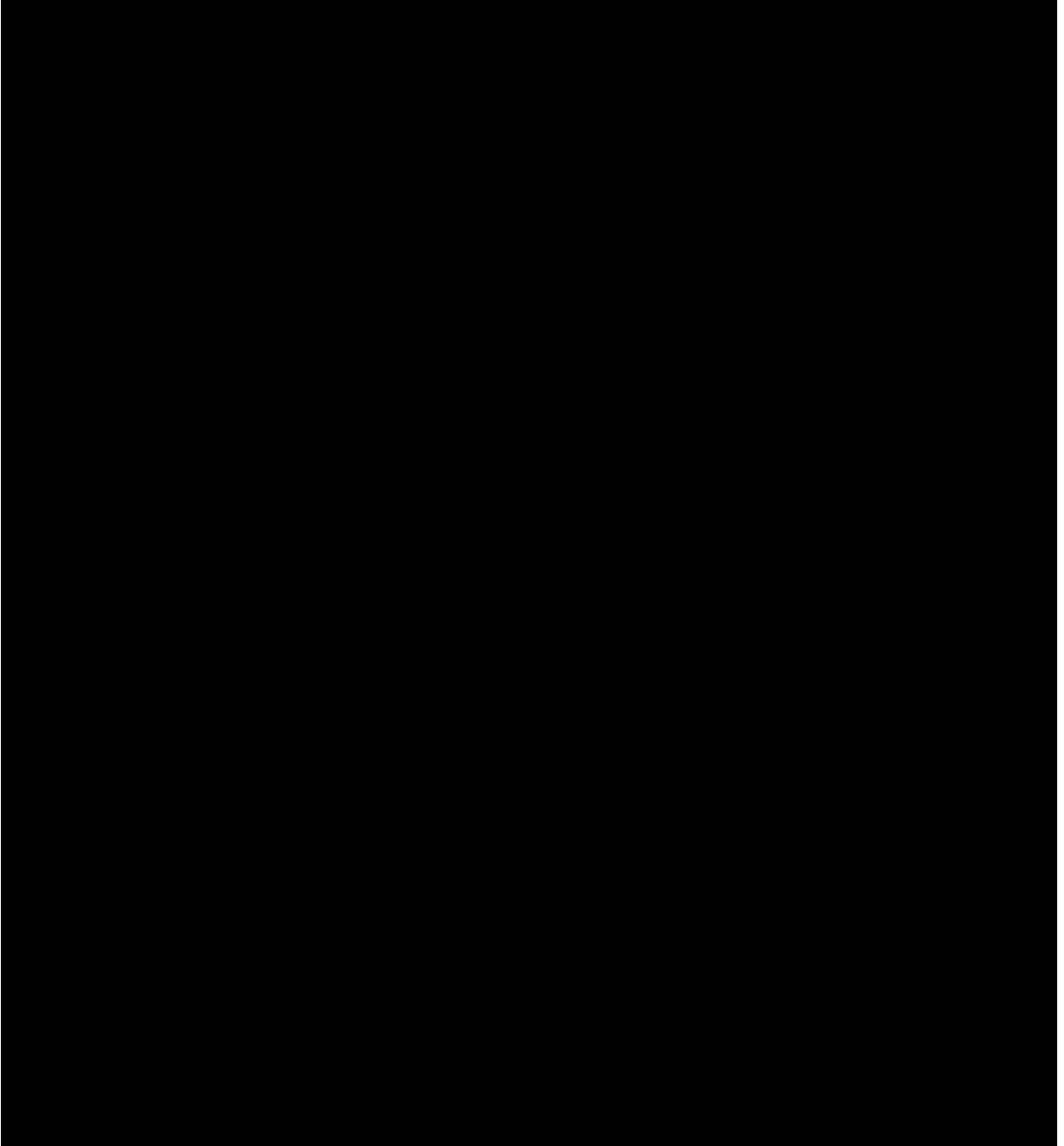
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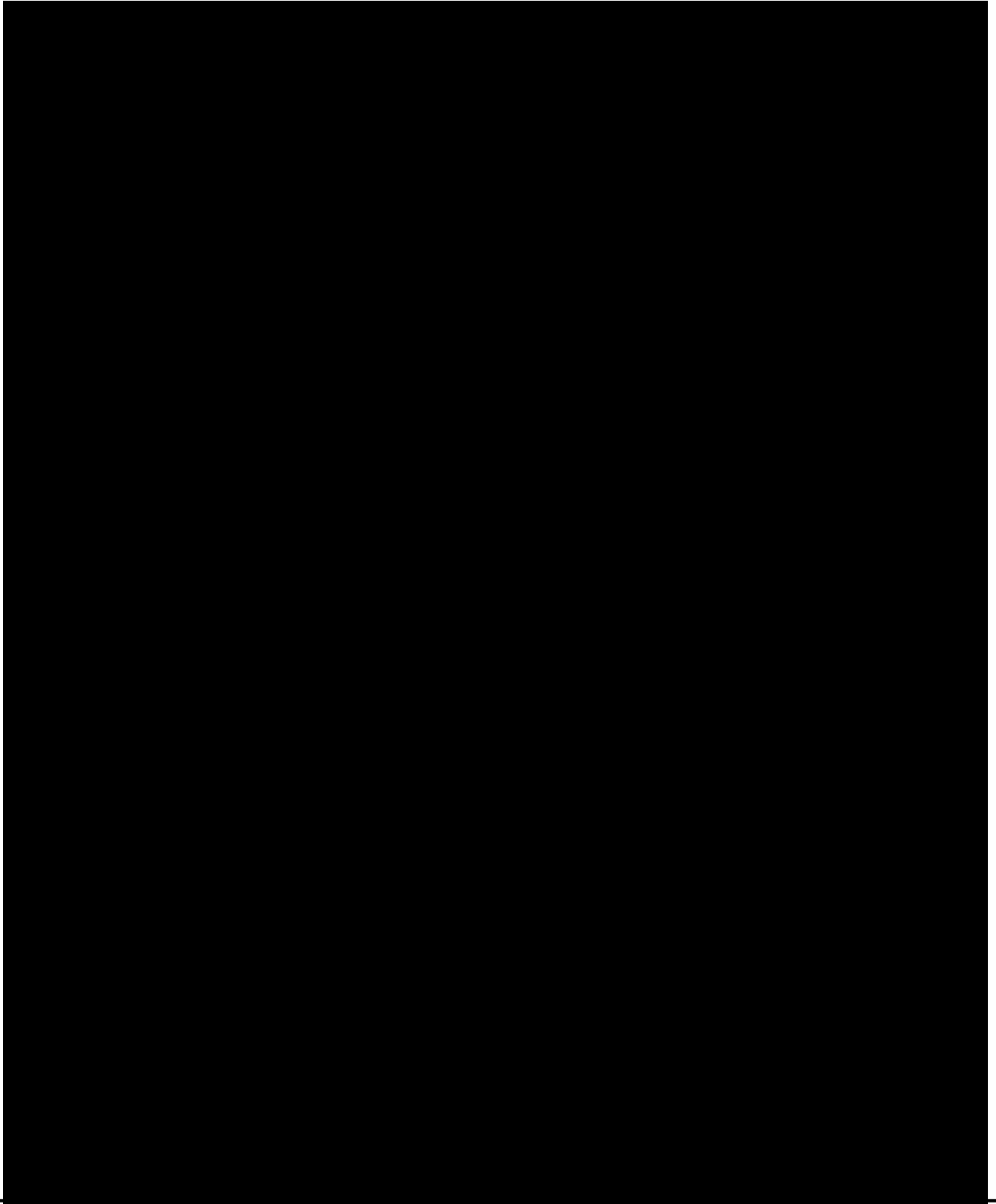
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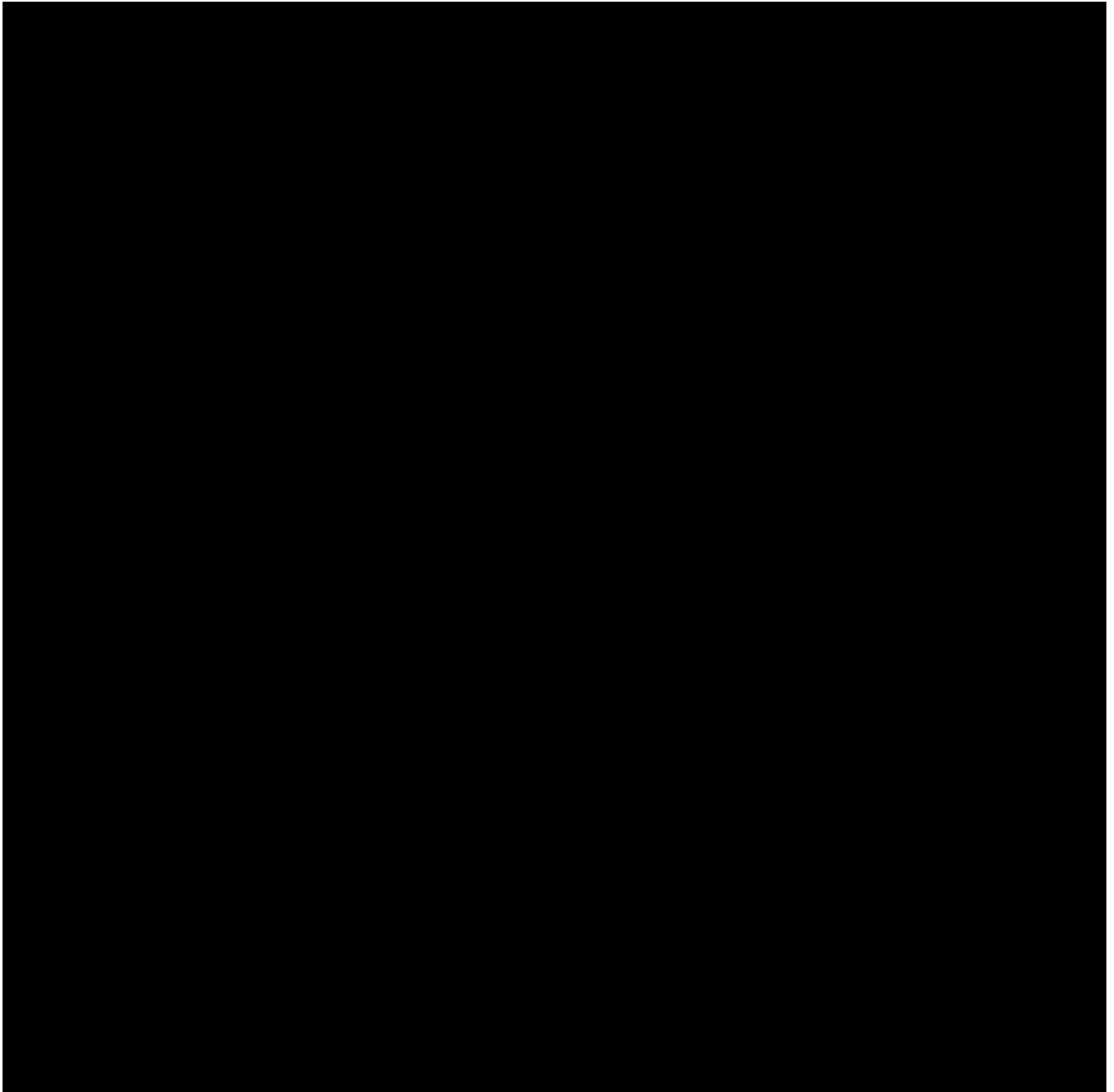
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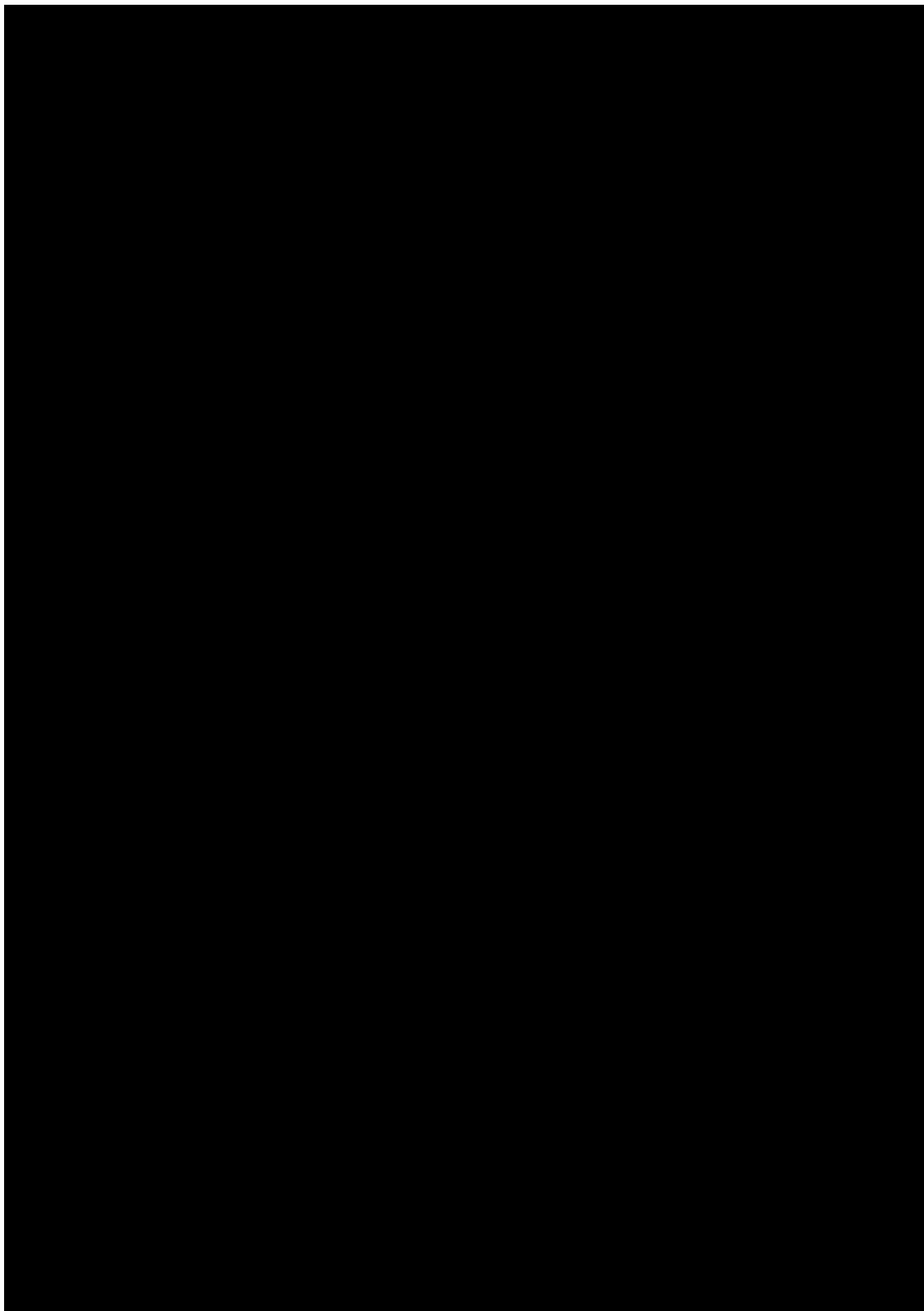
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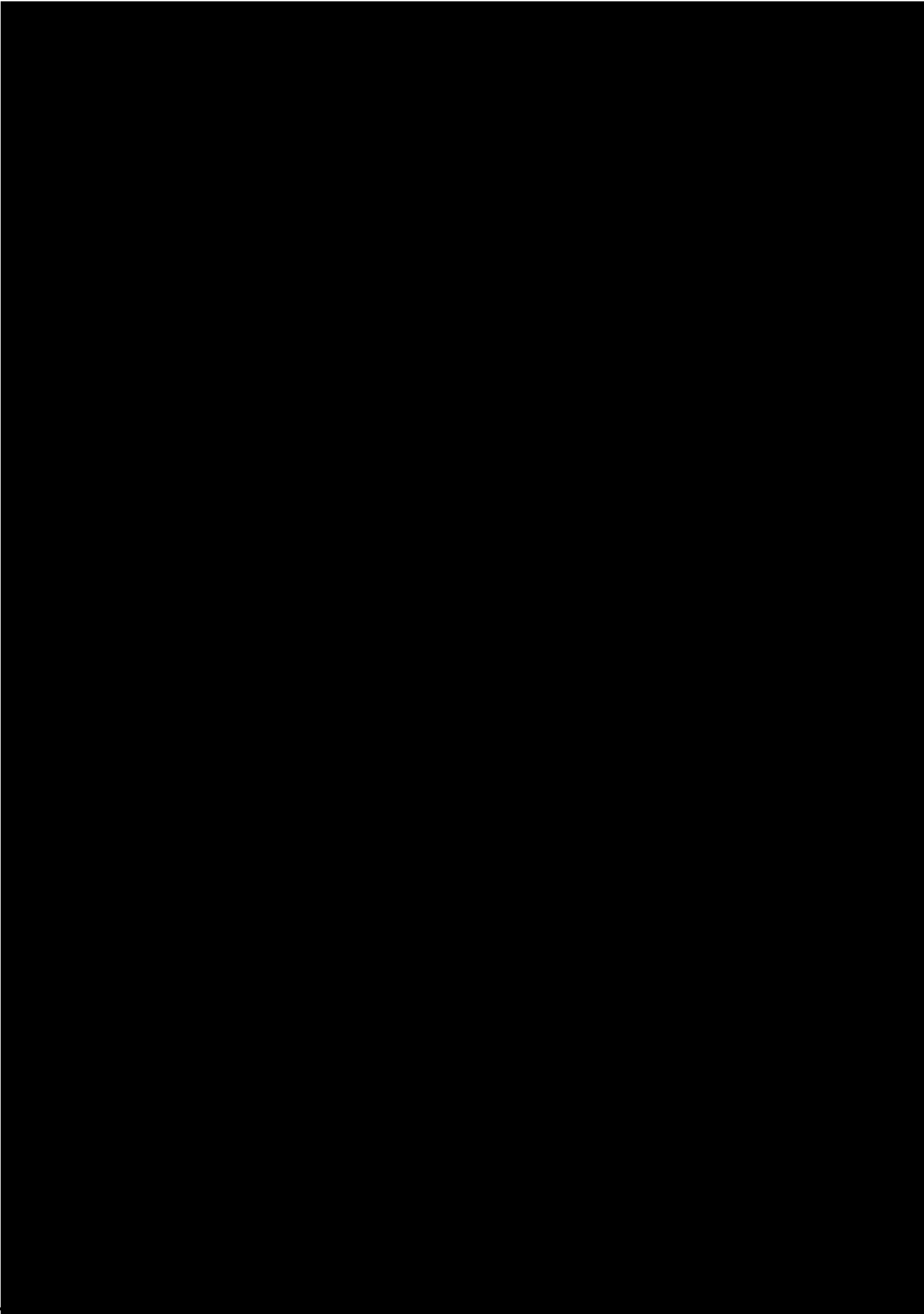


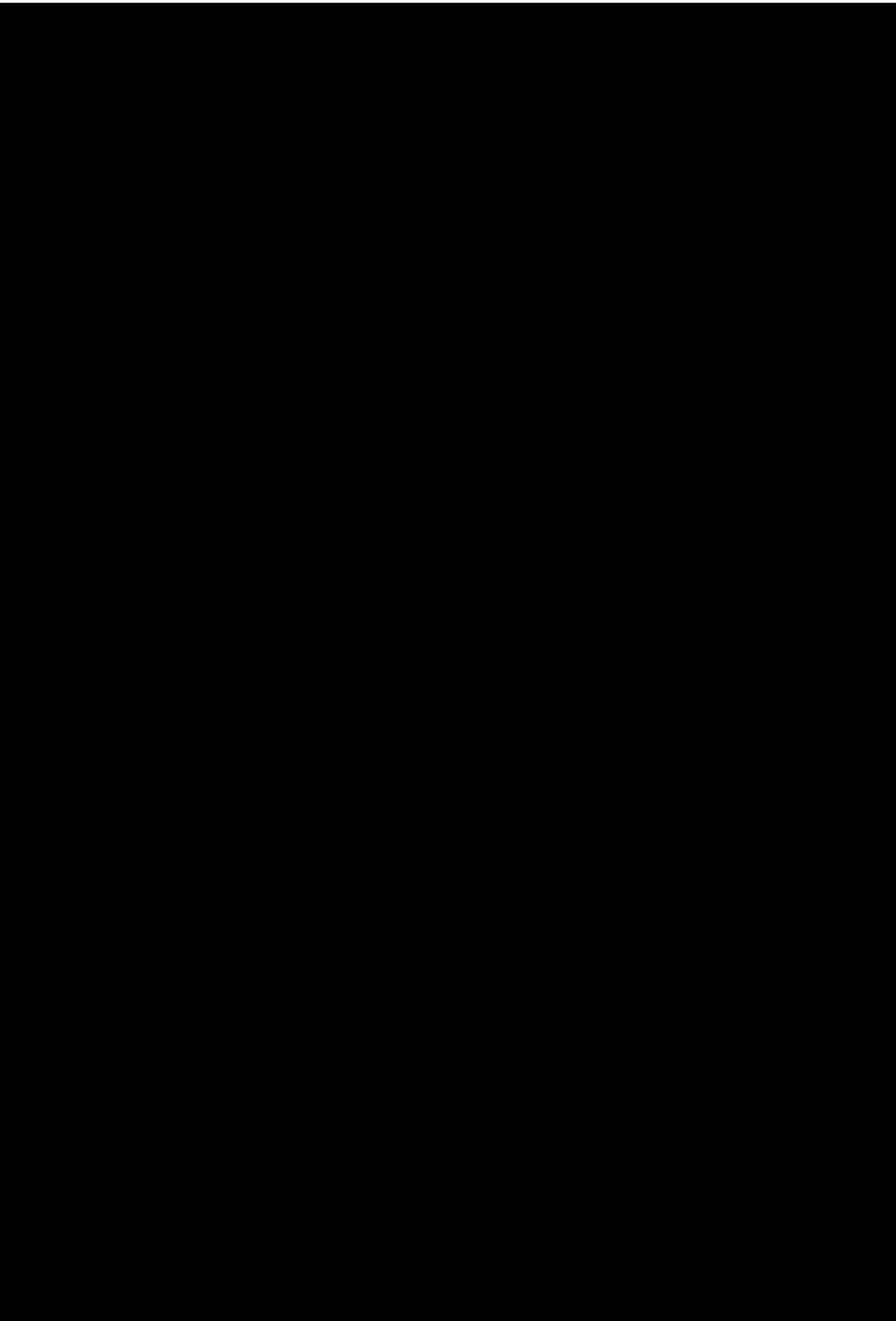
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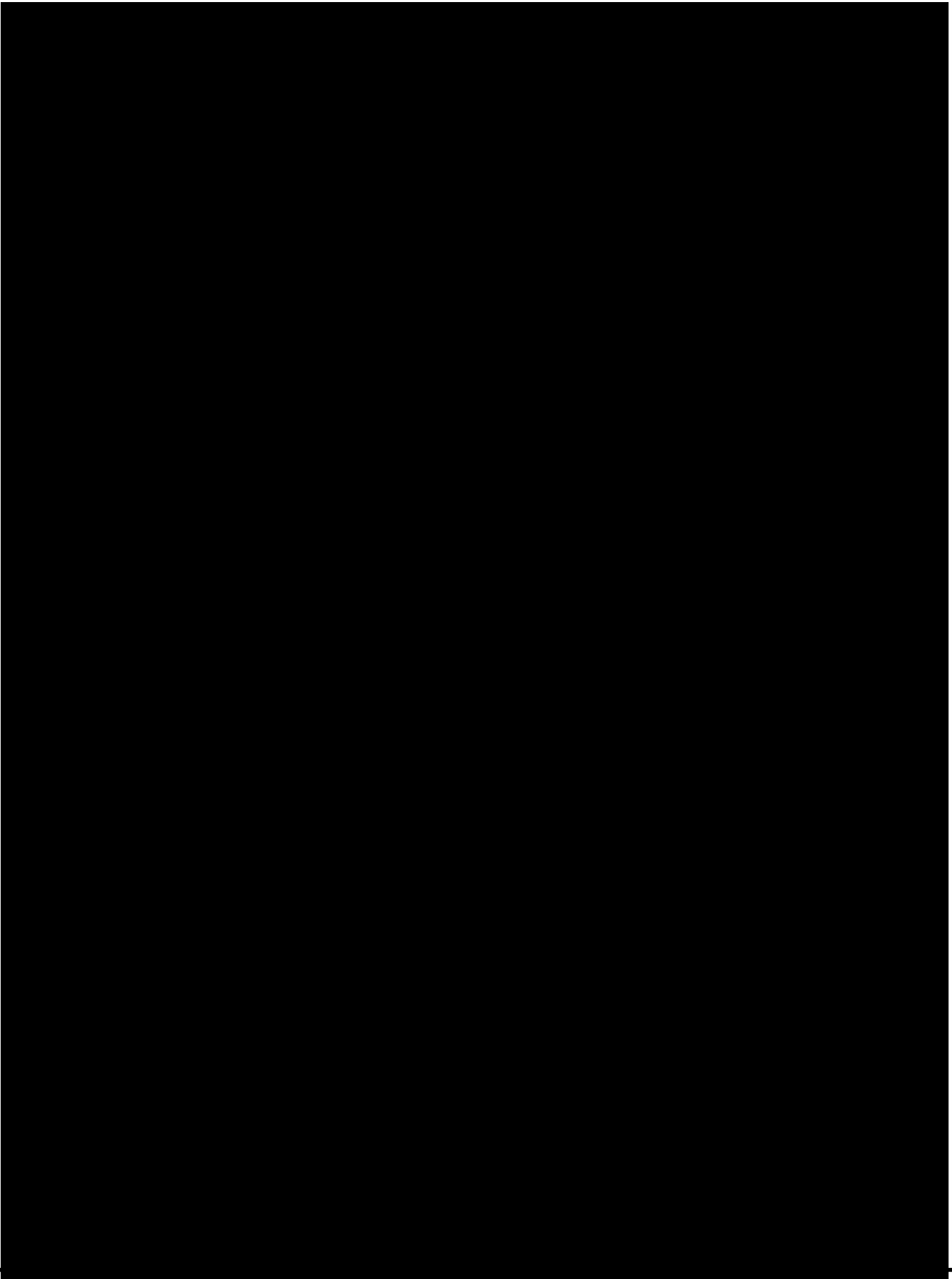
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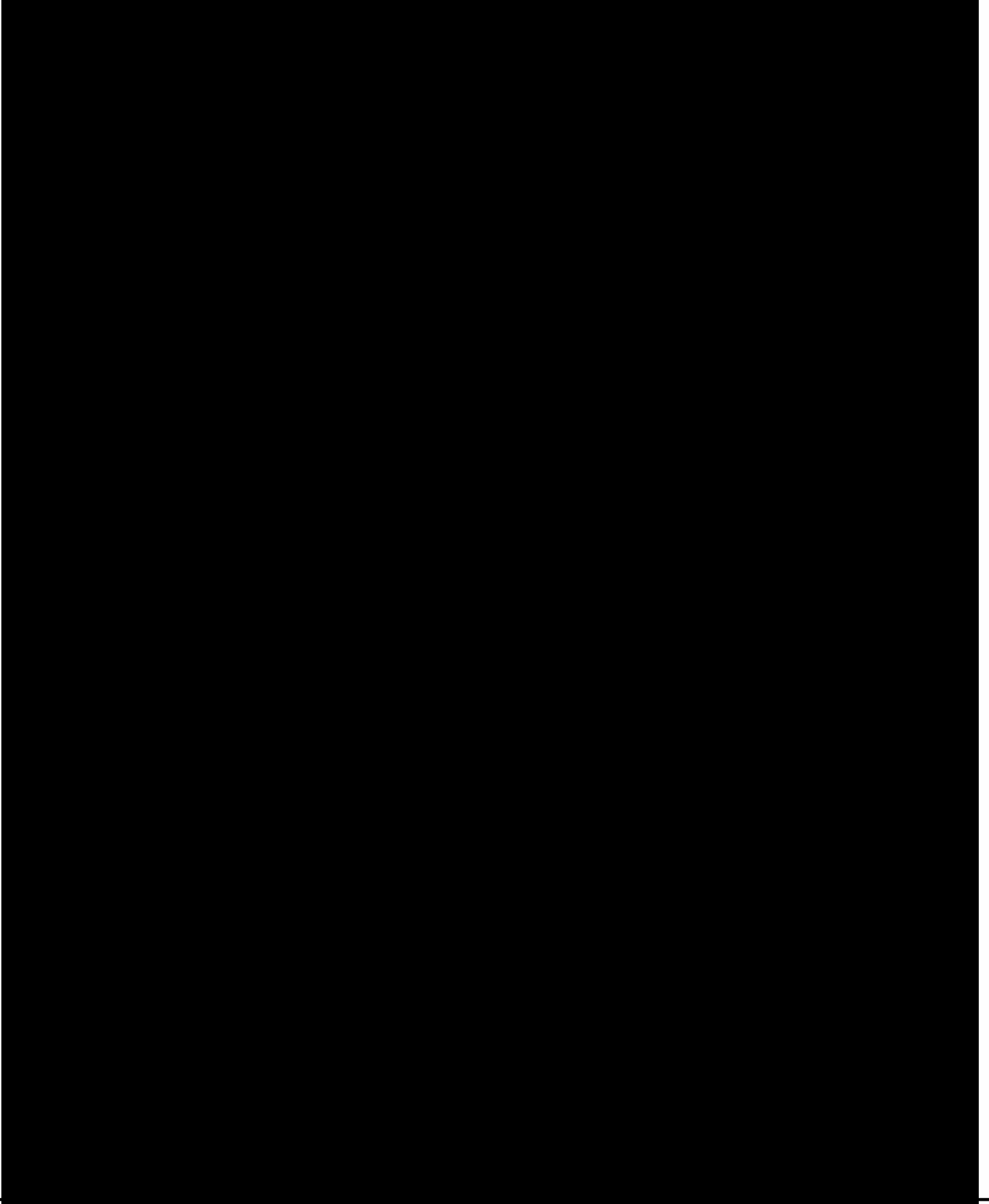


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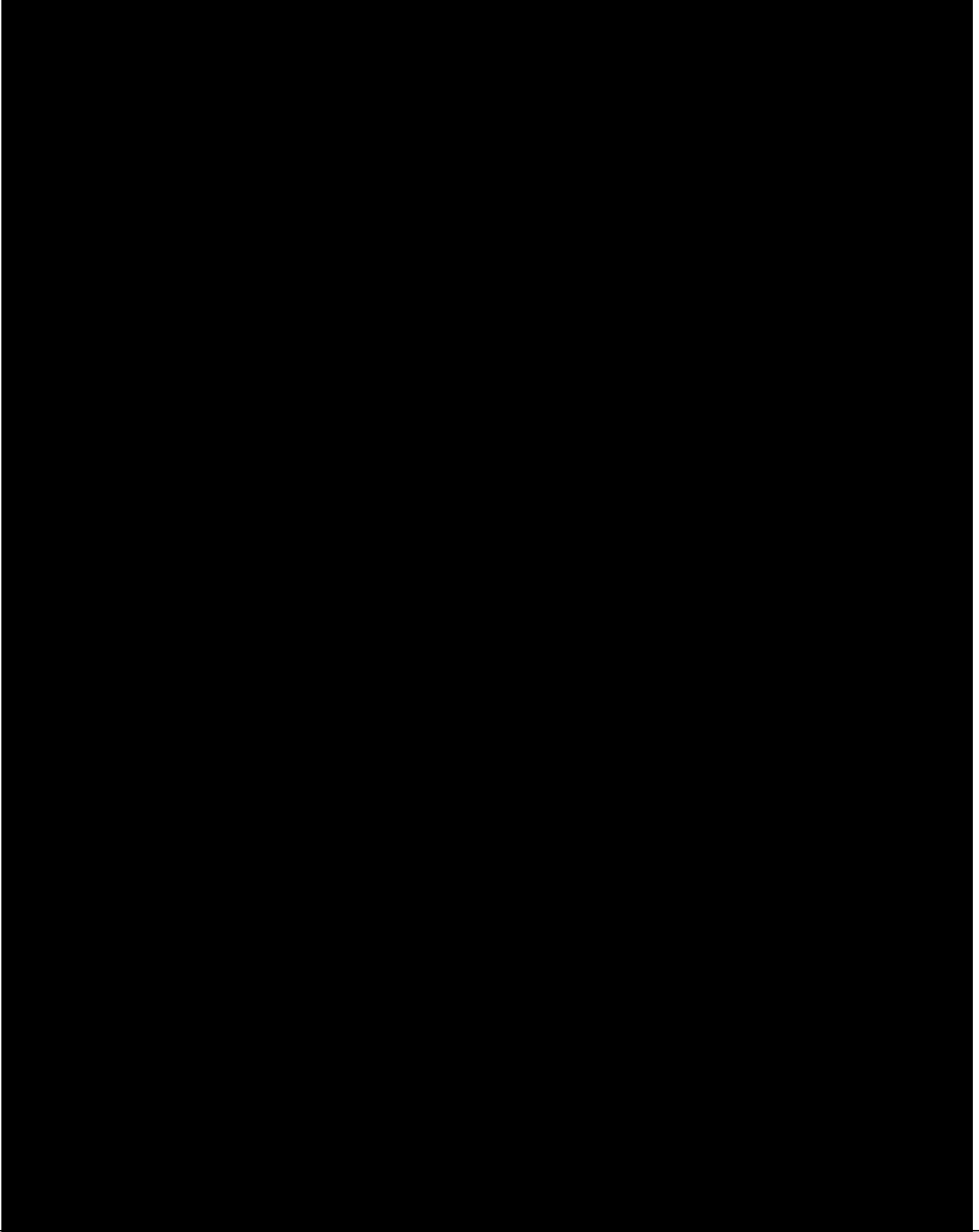


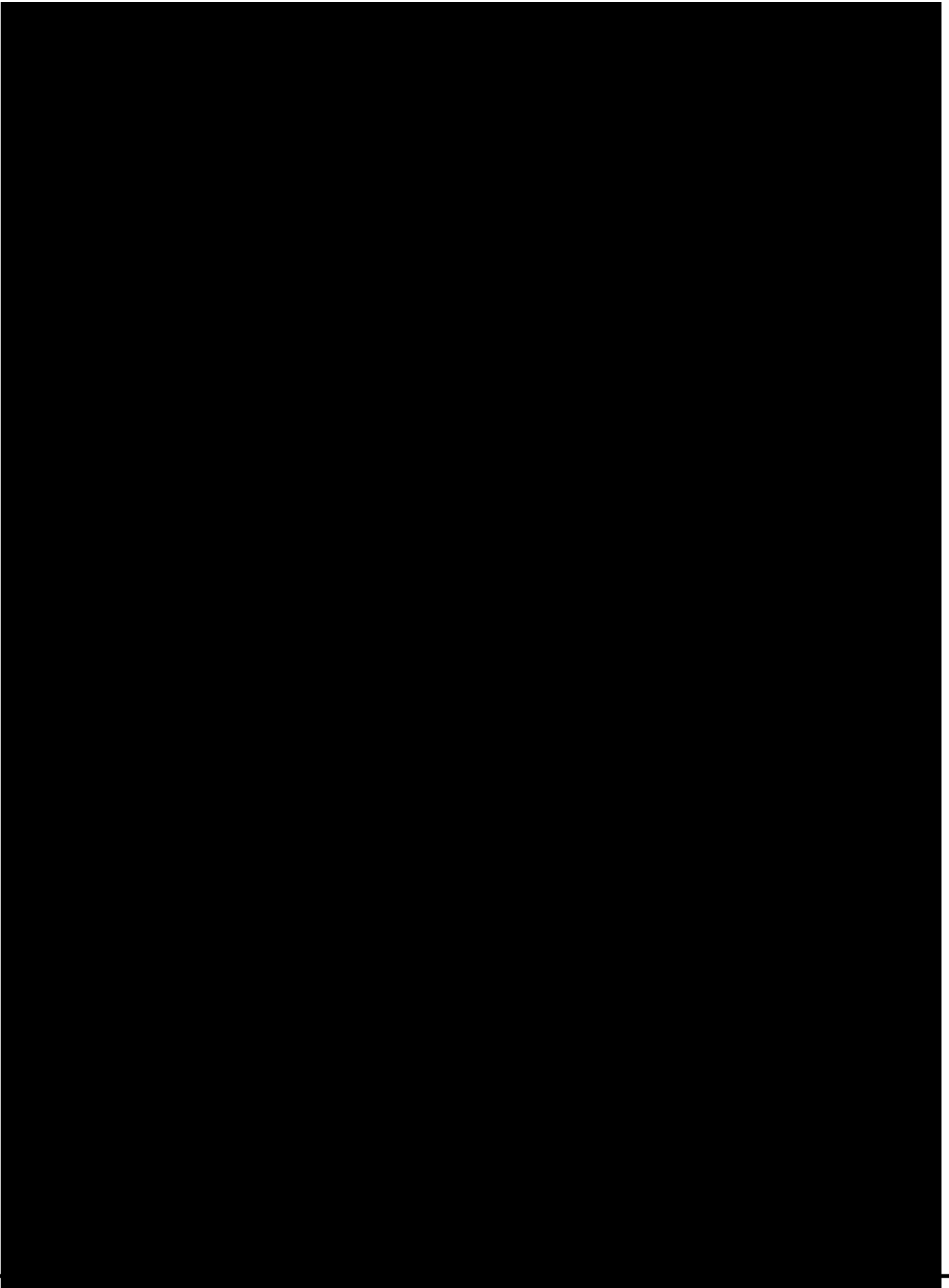
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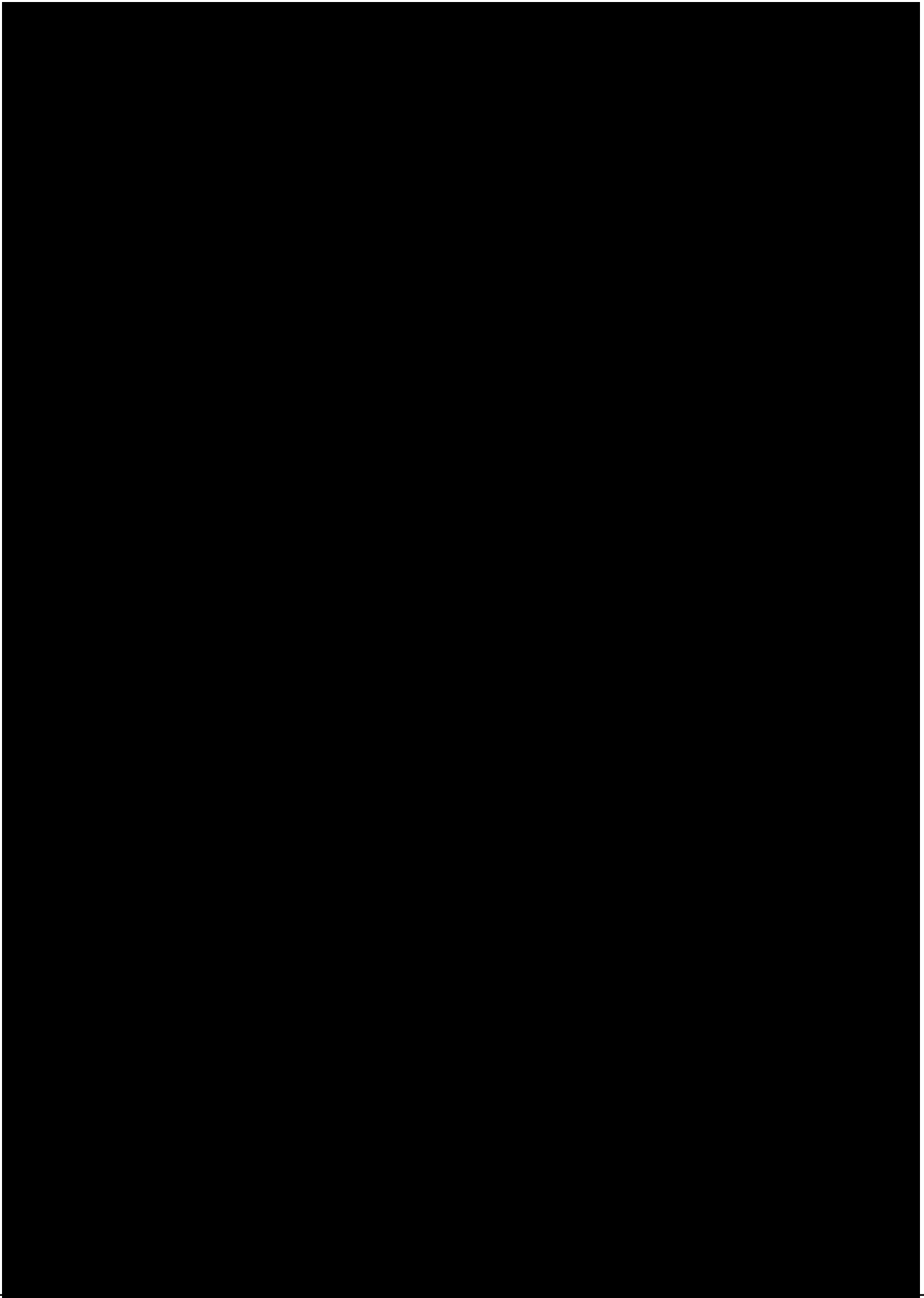
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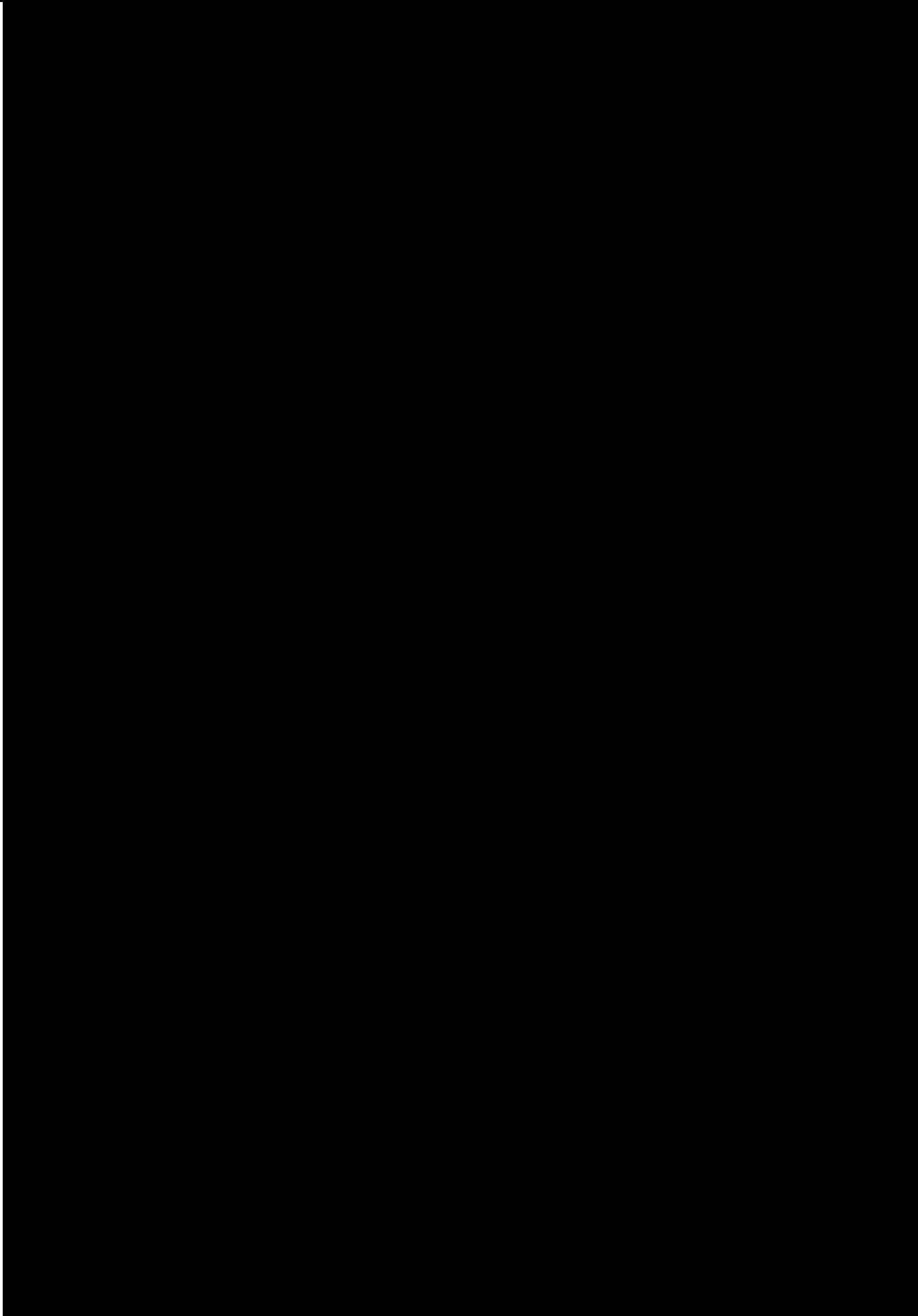


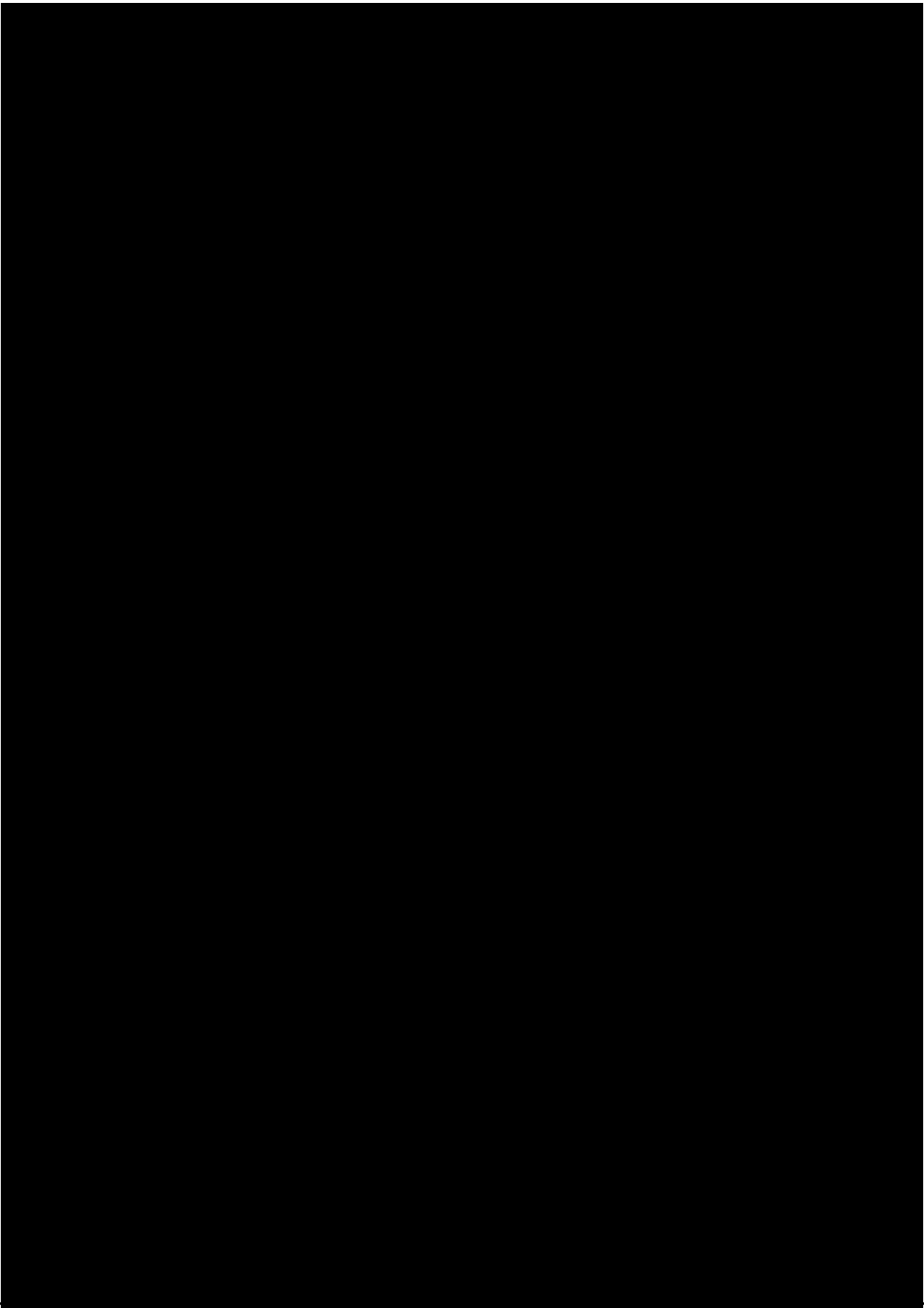
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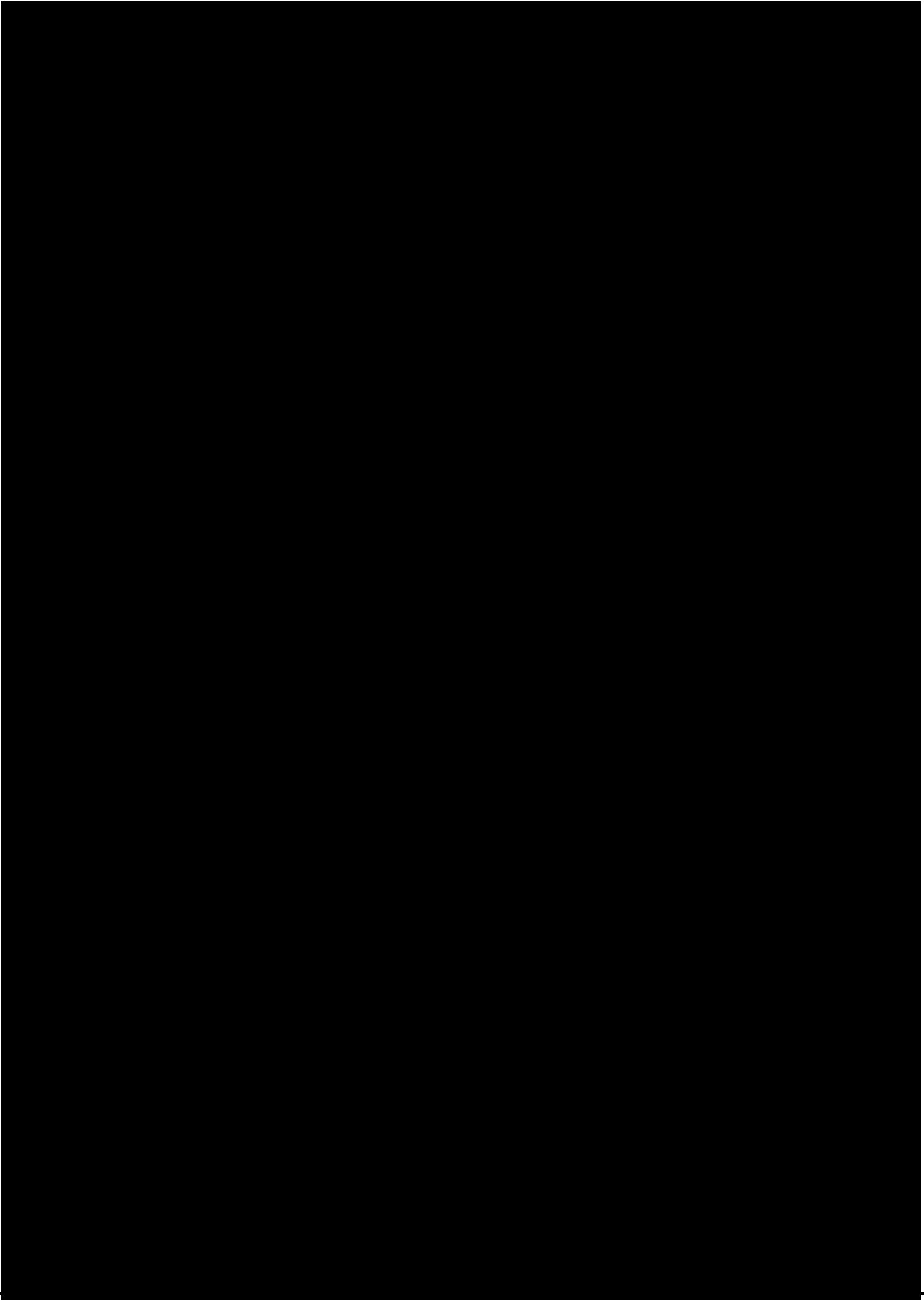


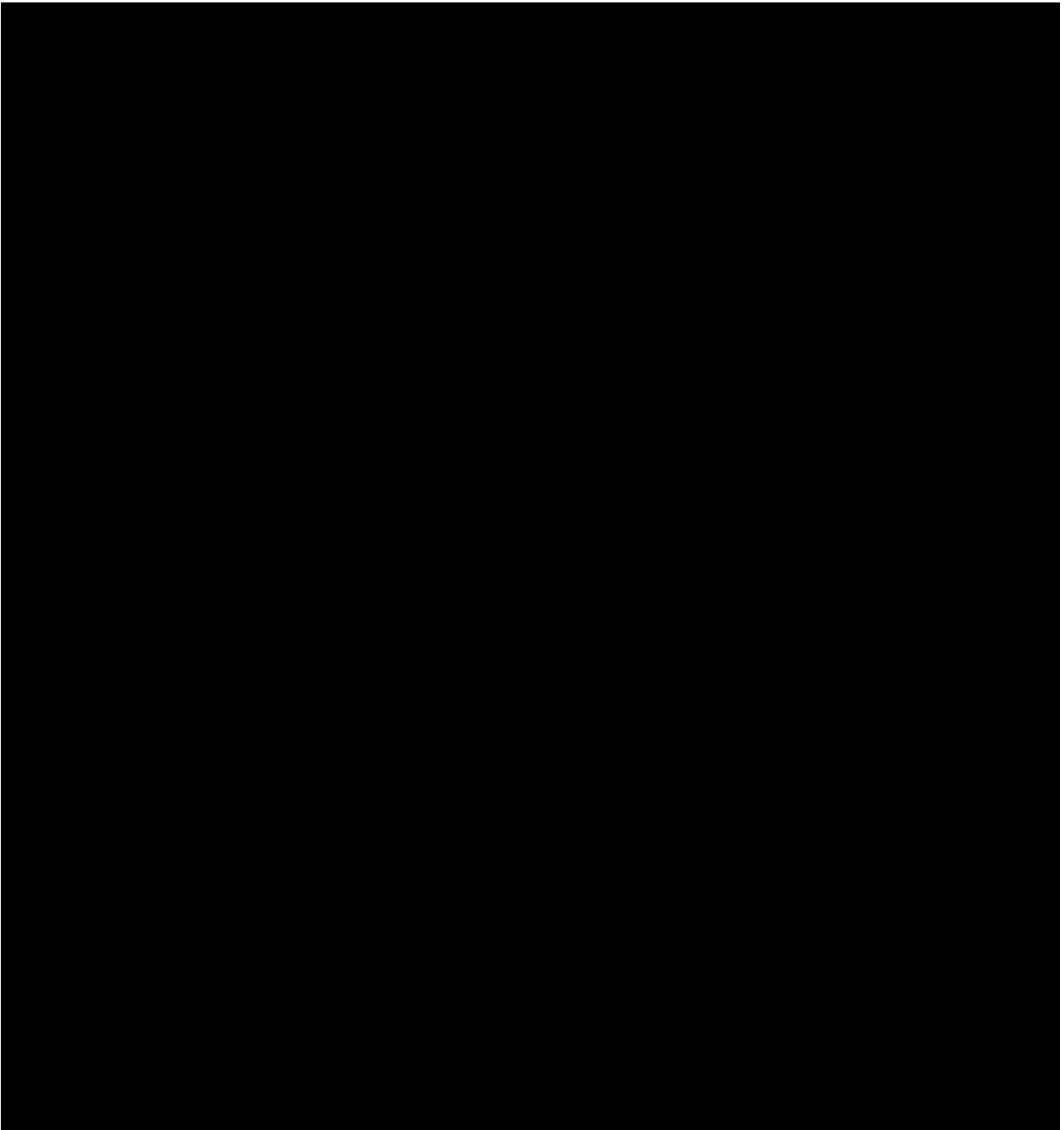




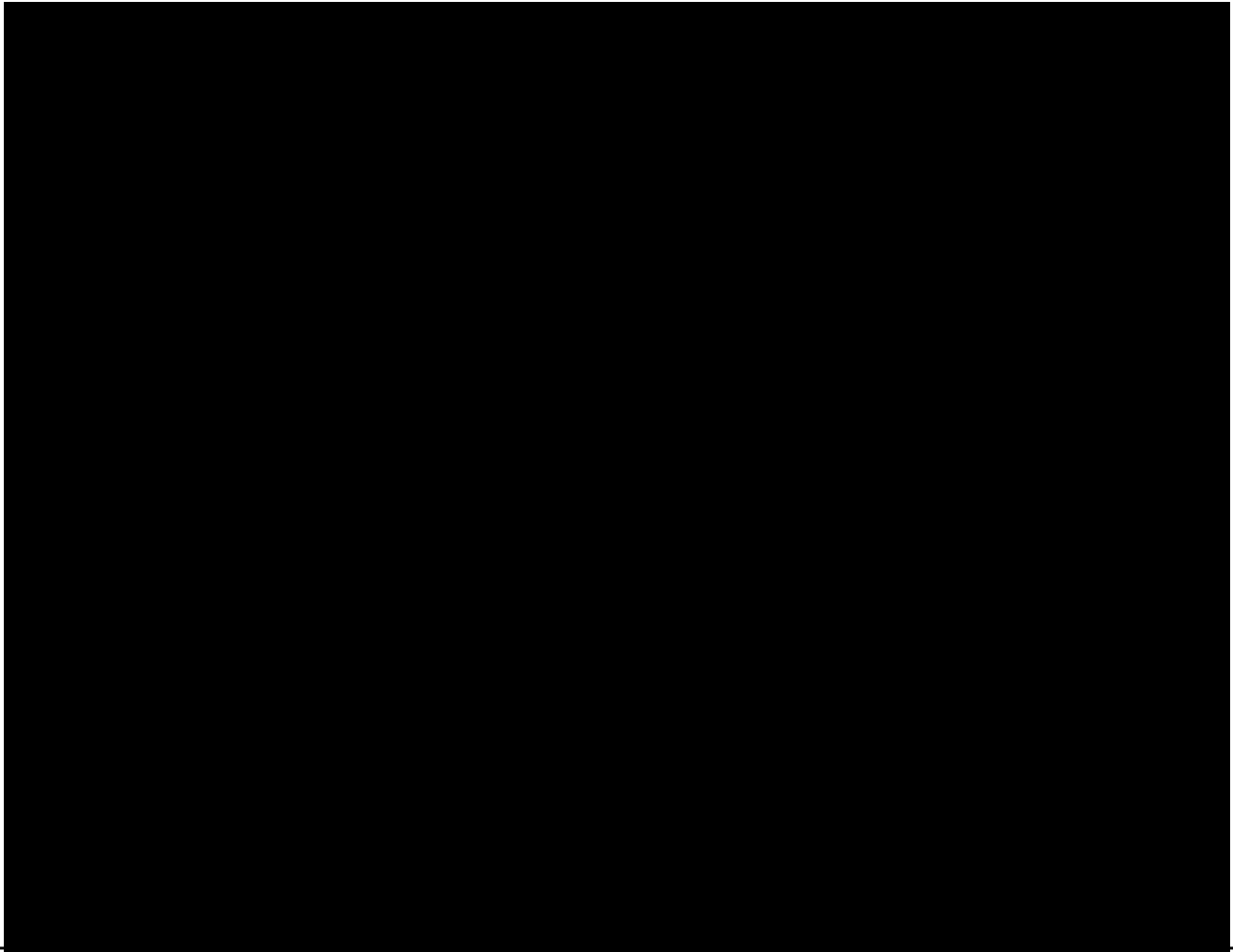
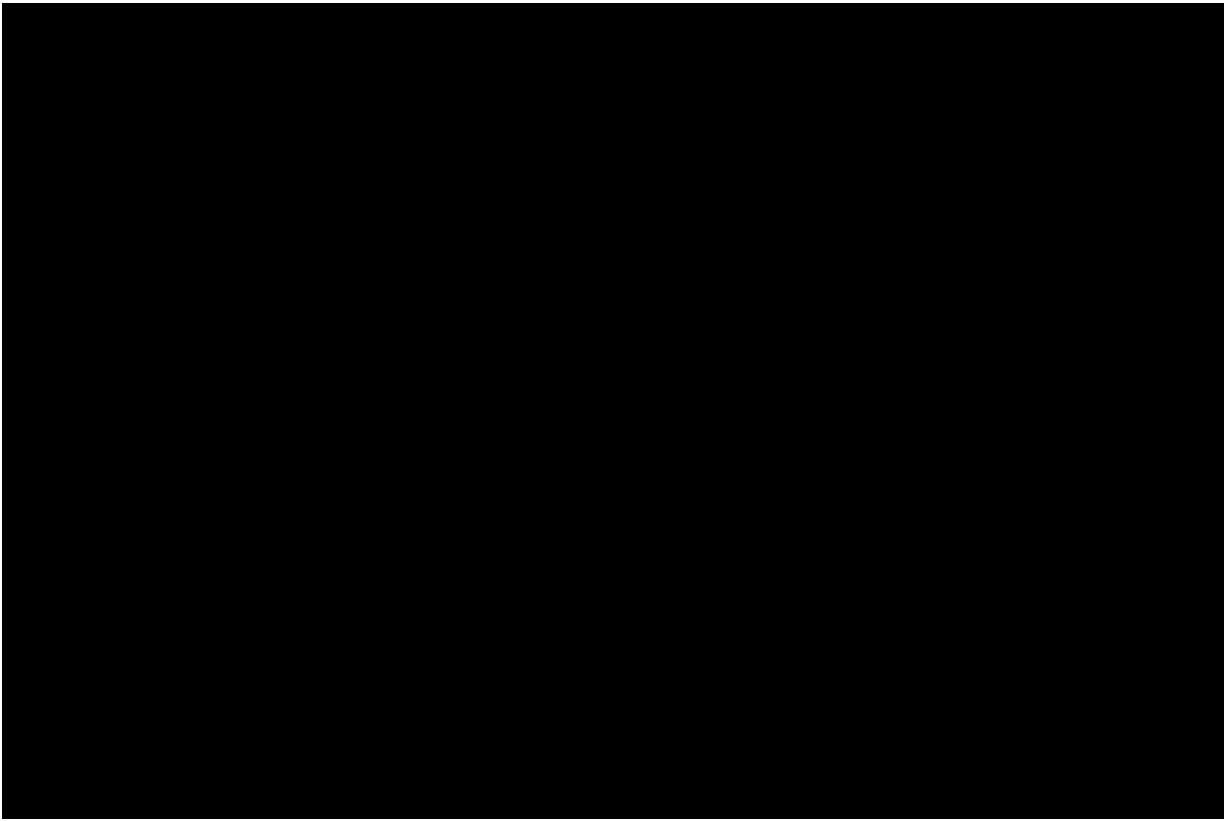


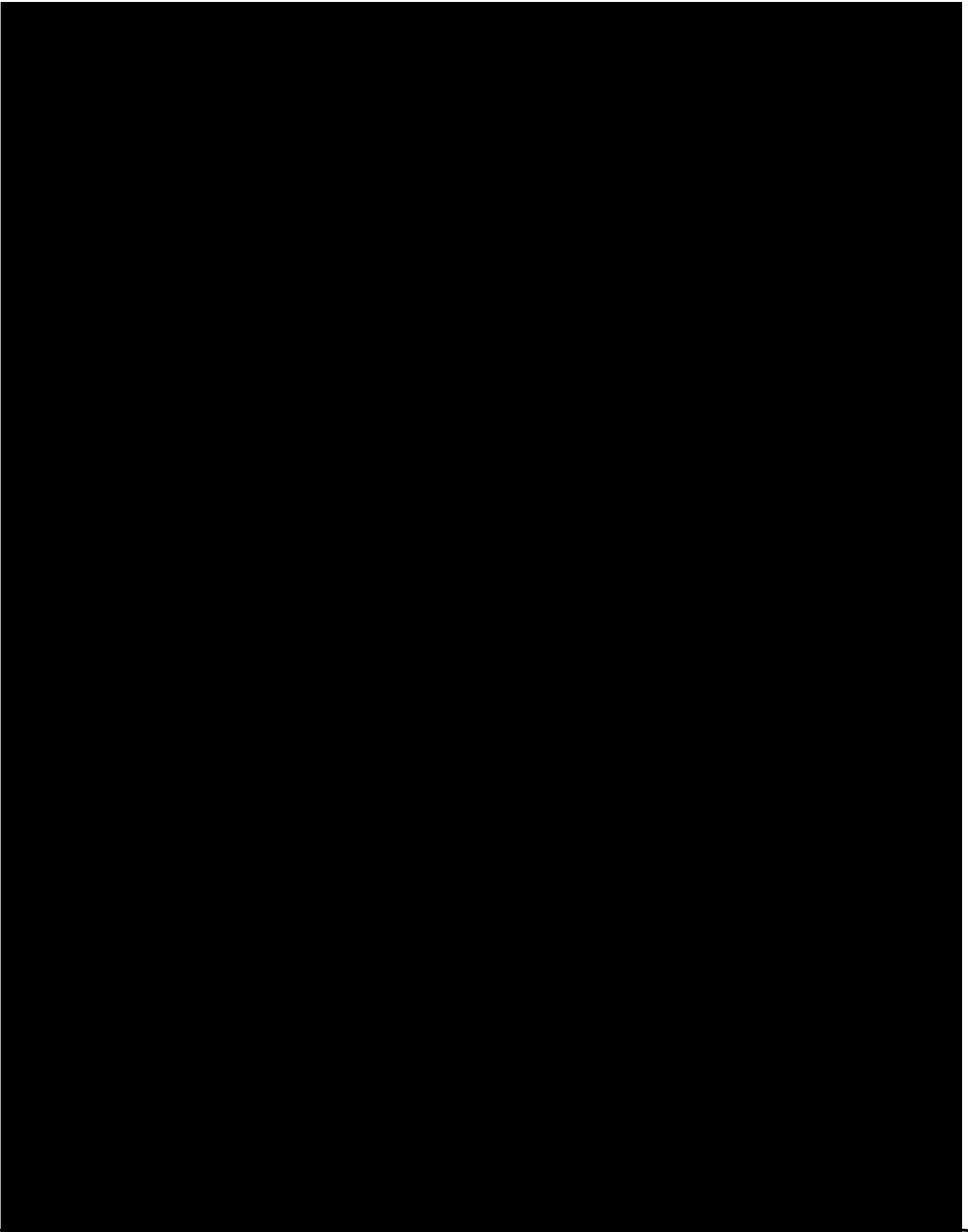




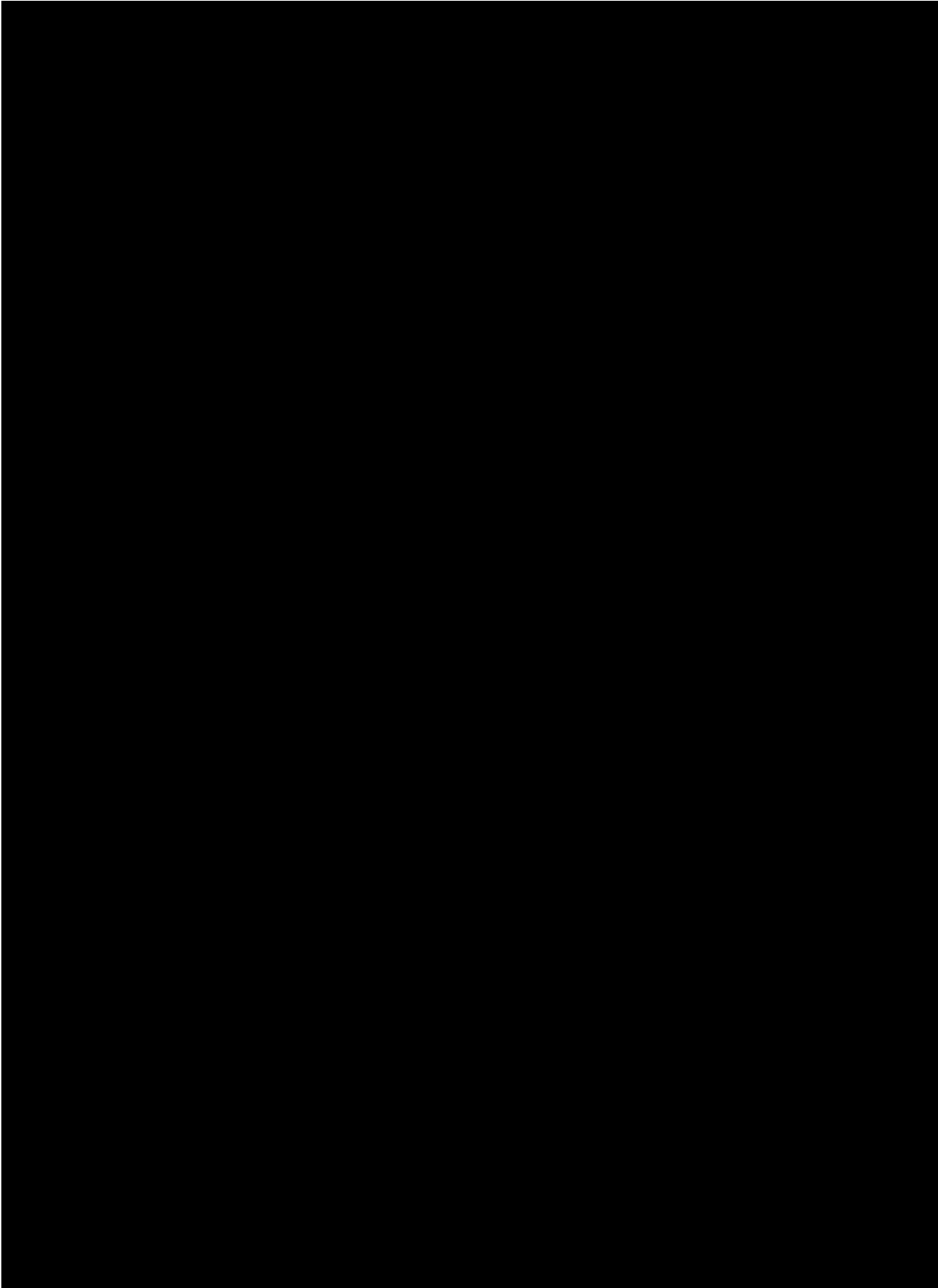


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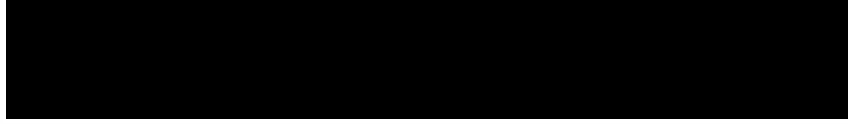


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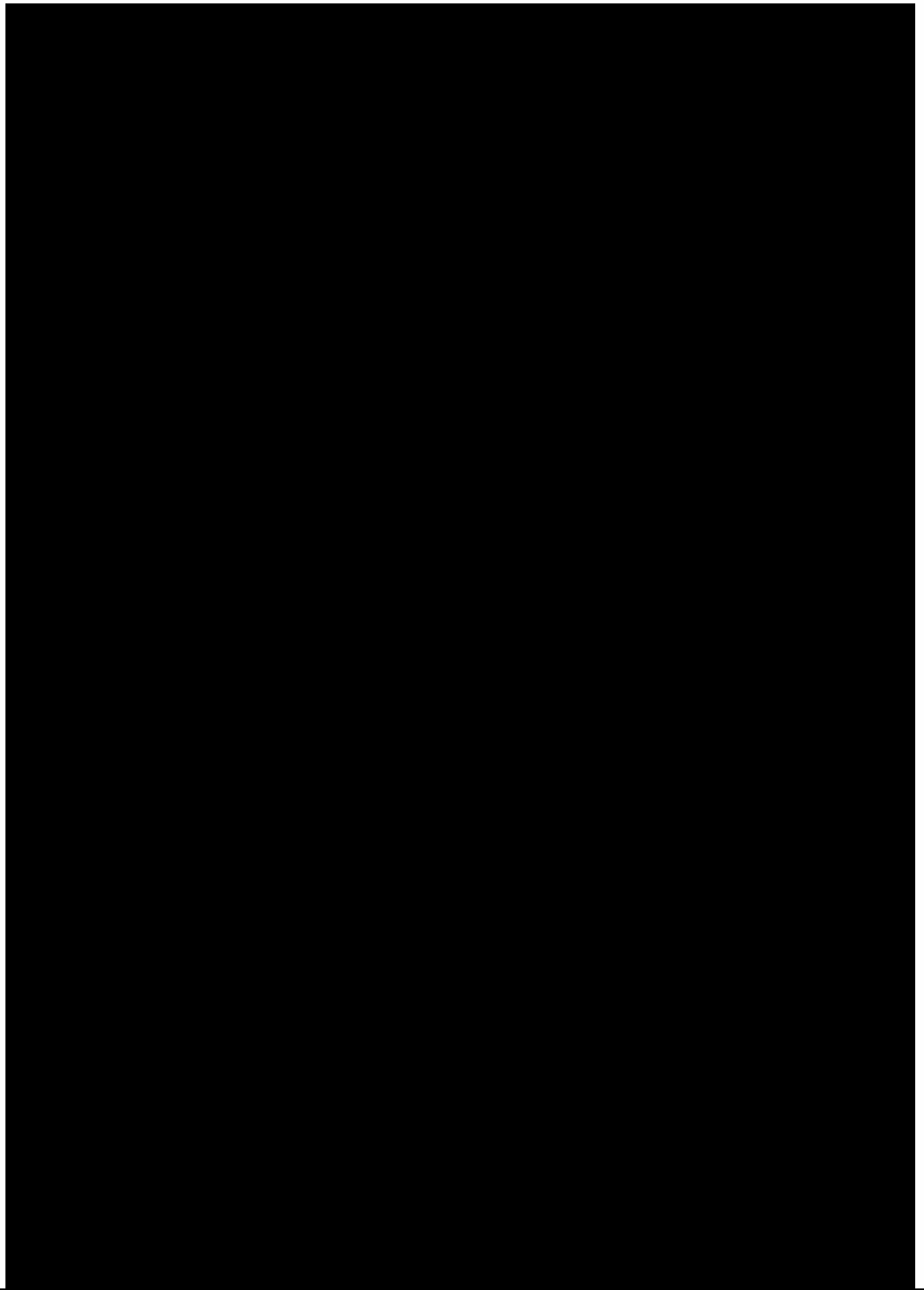
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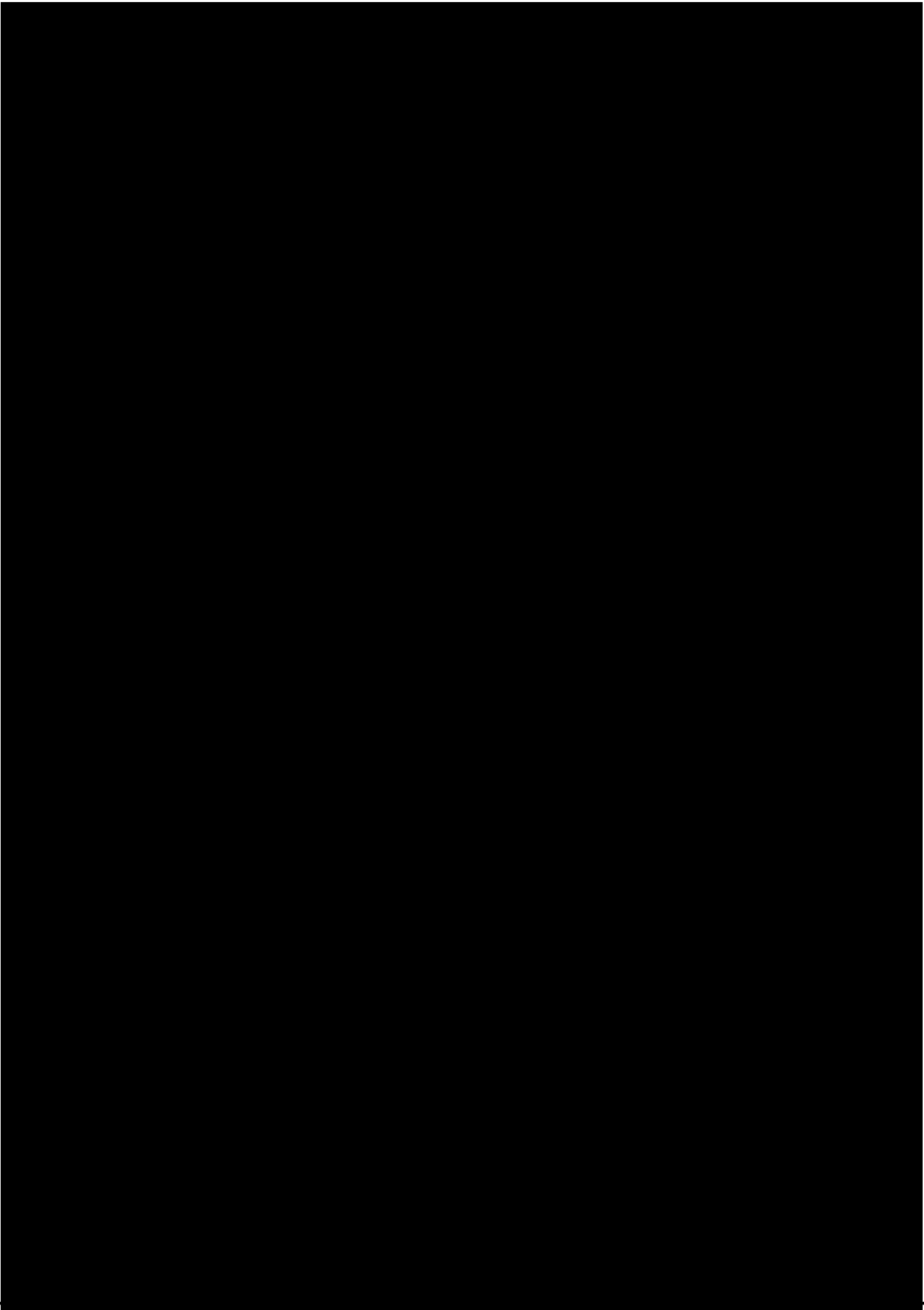




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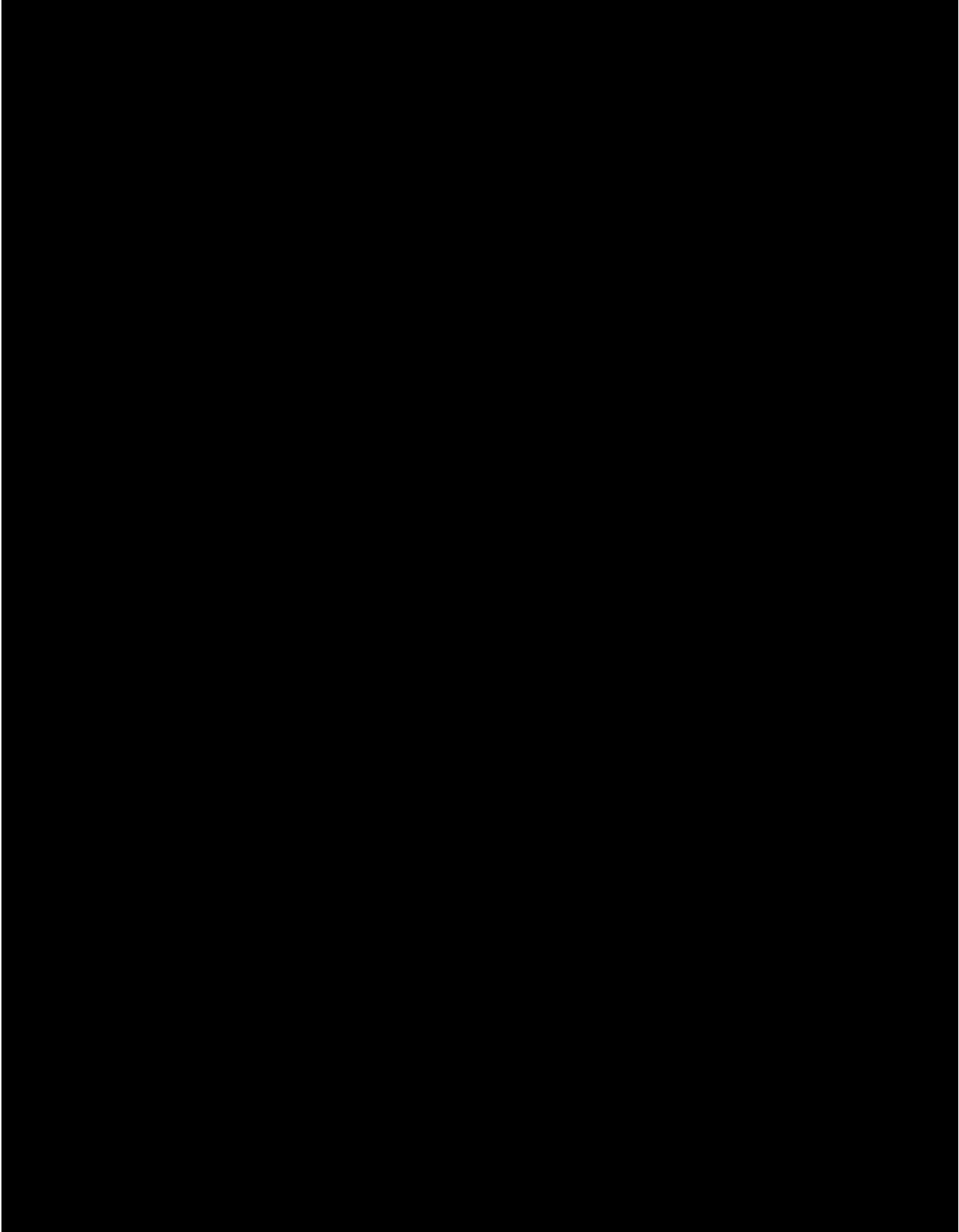
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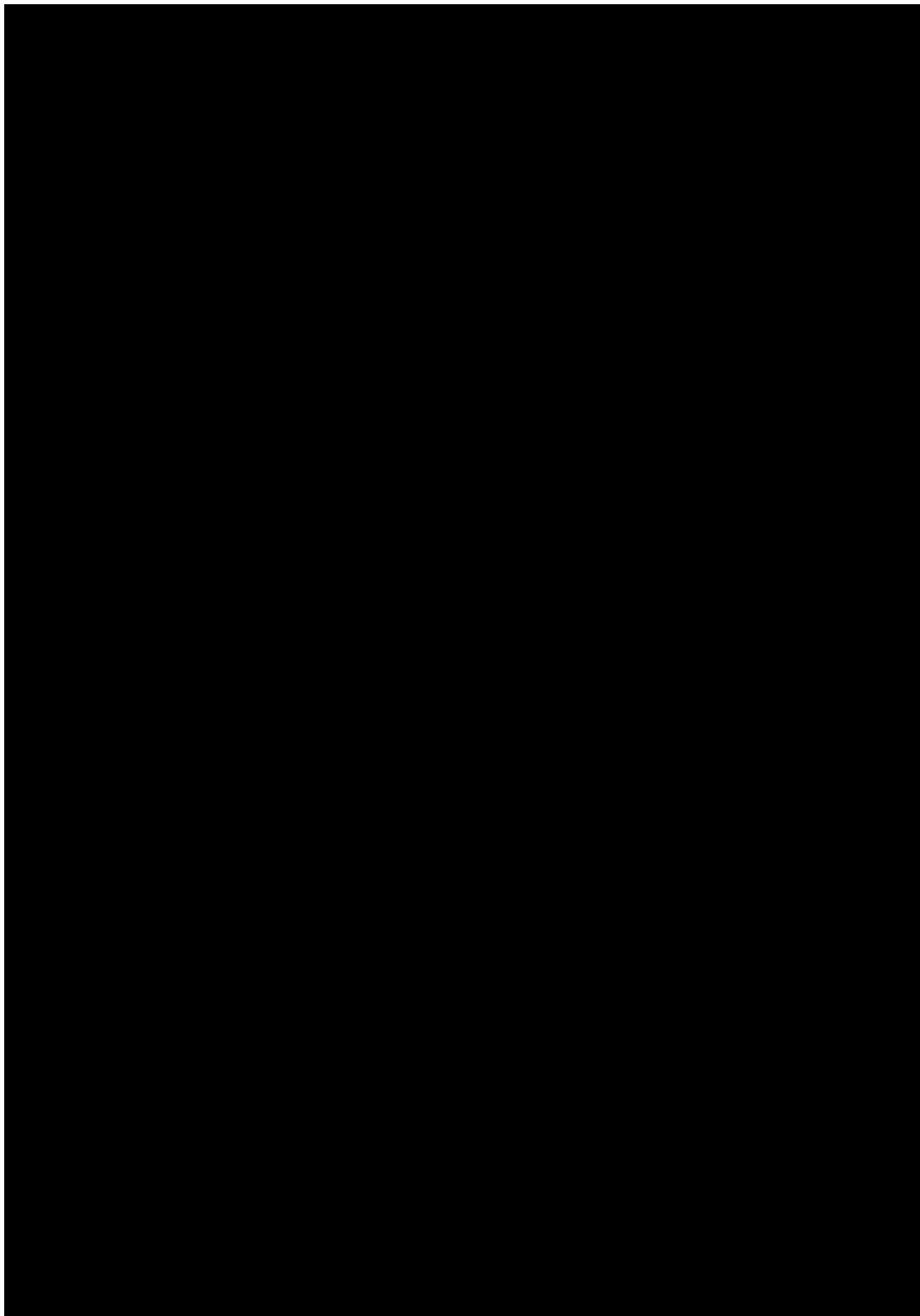


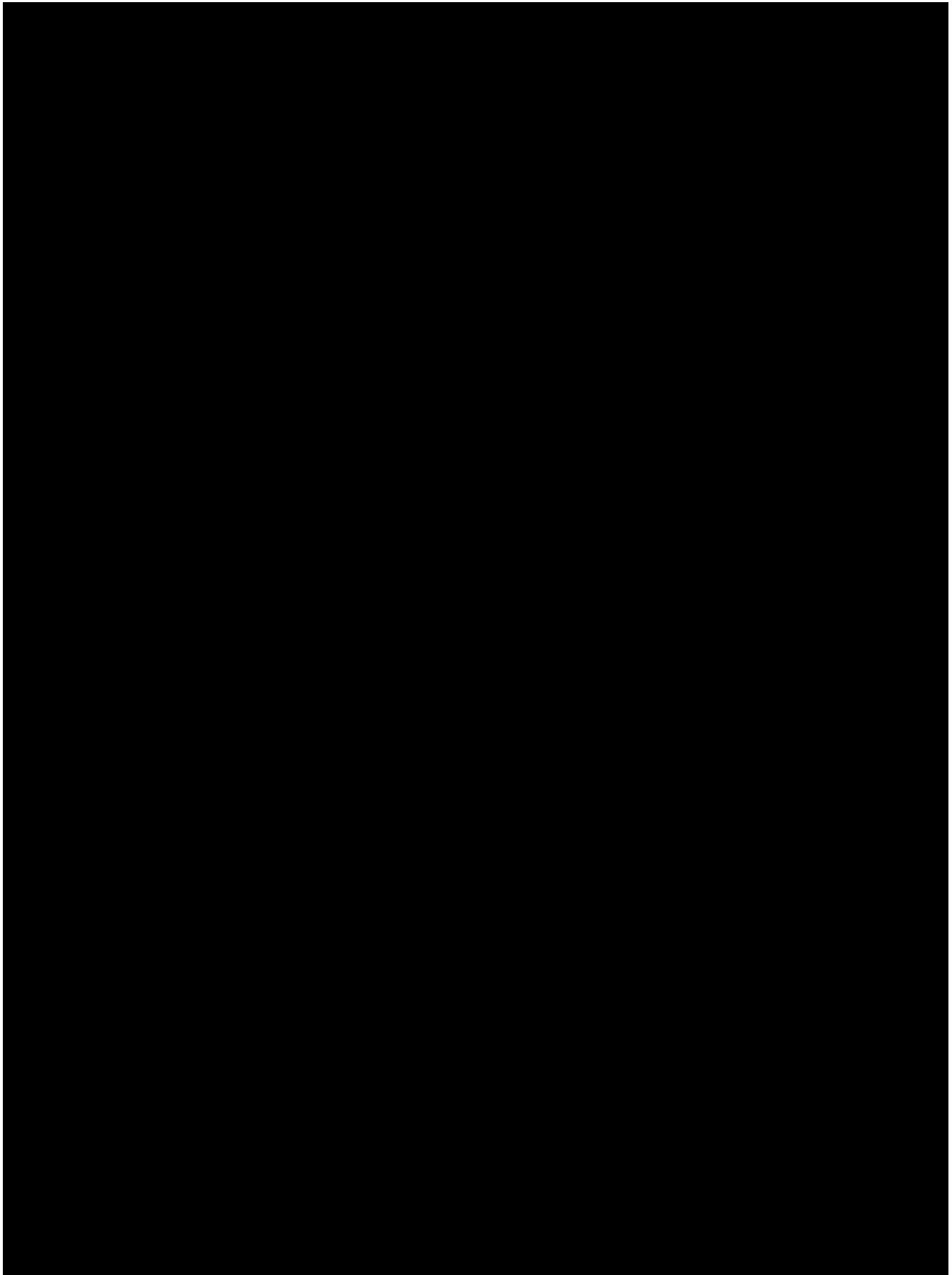
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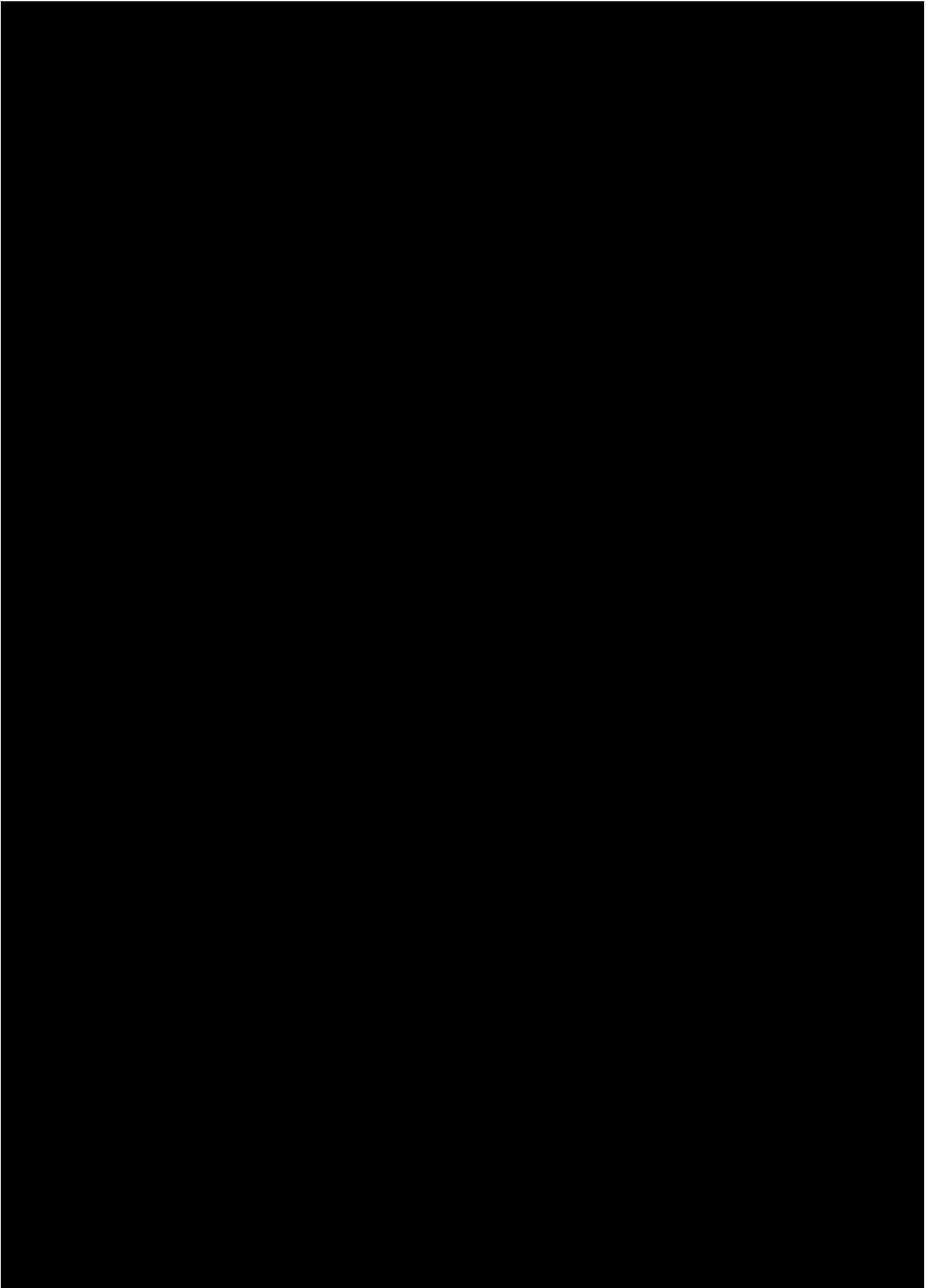
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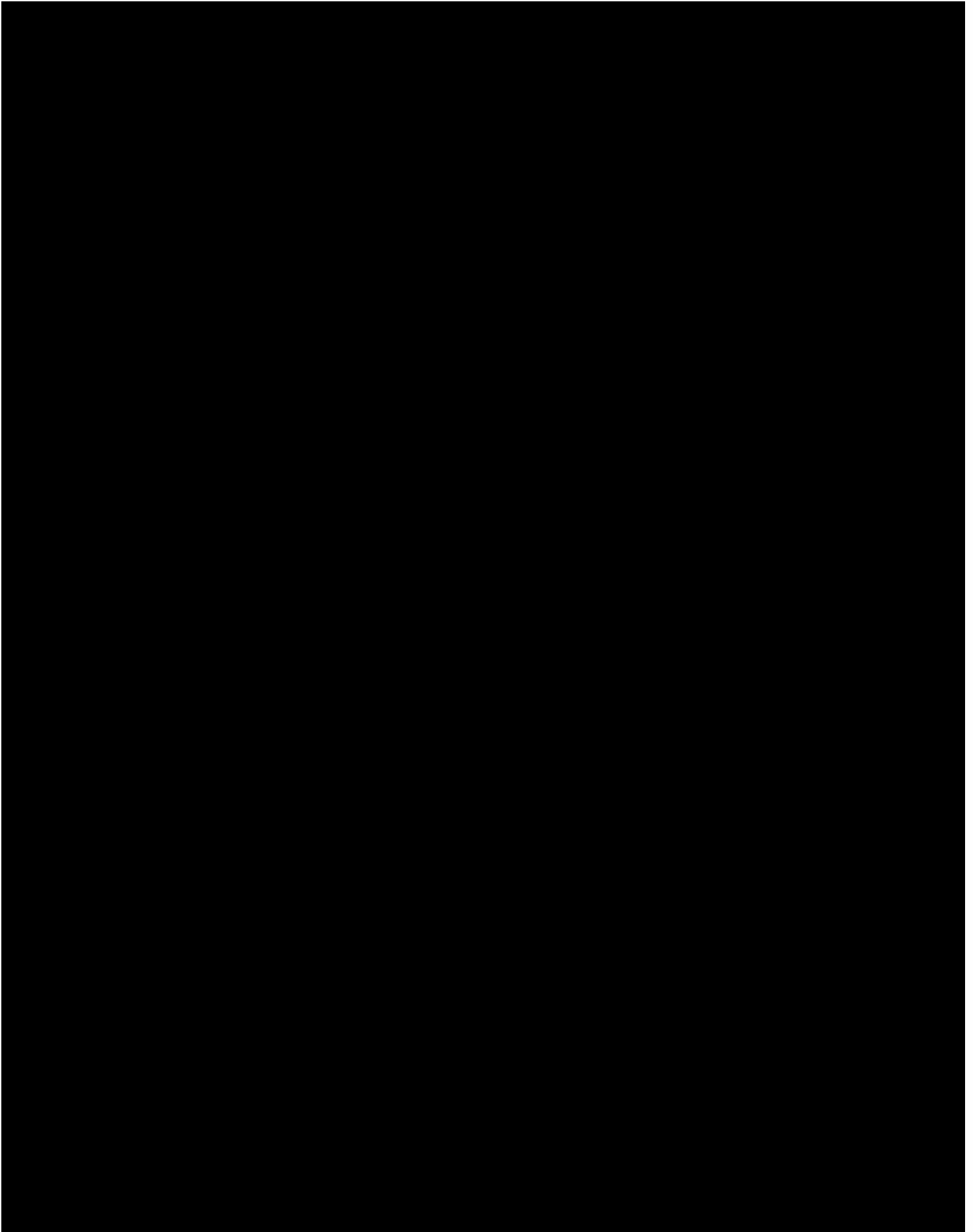


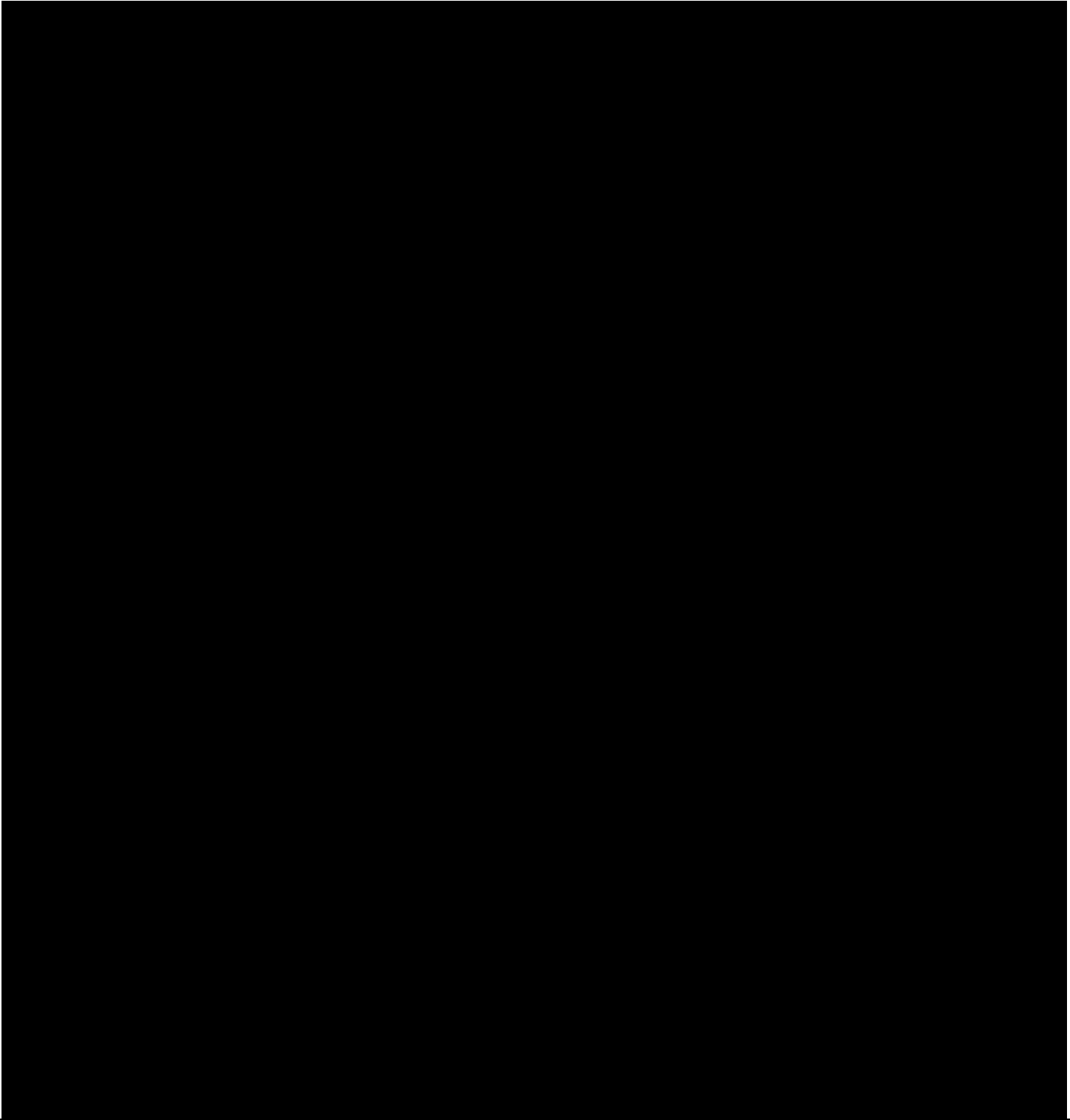
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